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The Book of Common Order, sanctioned by the General Assembly of 1562, and long used in the Daily Service of the Church in Edinburgh, having fallen into desuetude, and become, in the lapse of years, antiquated in language, and unsuitable for present use; the following Services have been compiled to supply, in some measure, the want thereof, until another similar formulary be set forth by the proper authority.

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THE APOSTLES' CREED.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified dead and buried, He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting.

Amen.

COMMON ORDER.

First Service.

First Sunday of the month at Morning Prayer, or Monday of First Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

O COME let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

O Heavenly King, the Spirit of truth, who art present everywhere and fillest all things, Treasure of blessings, and Giver of Life; come and dwell in us and purify our hearts from every stain, and vouchsafe us this day such blessing

through thy worship, that the days which follow may most truly be spent in thy favour and service, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

O merciful God, we acknowledge and confess before thee our many sins, especially those sins which our consciences charge against us. . .Thou art our Father, but we have been disobedient children. Thou art our King, but we have been rebellious subjects. Thou art our Master, but we have been unprofitable servants. When we would have done good, evil has been present with us. Our own hearts condemn us, and thou art greater than our hearts, and knowest all things. Have mercy upon us. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ pardon our sins. Give unto us the assurance of reconciliation and forgiveness. Fill us with all joy and peace in believing, and grant unto us grace to love thee more truly, and to serve thee better in all time to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable the thanksgiving may be said before the Prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

O God, our Heavenly Father, from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift; we thank and praise thy name for all thy mercies, and for every bless-

ing we have received from thee: For health and strength, for food and raiment, for our homes, our parents, our children, and our friends; for the work thou hast given us to do, and the strength thou hast given us to do it; for comfort in sorrow, for deliverance from danger; and if there be any special mercies now present to our minds we thank thee for them...Most of all, with thy church throughout the world, we bless thee for thy love and compassion manifested toward us in Jesus Christ our Saviour: That through him a new and living way hath been opened up to thee, and that by his gospel life and immortality have been brought to light. Thanks be unto thee, O God, for thine unspeakable gift; and grant that we may be so filled with a sense of thy love, that as we have freely received from thee, we may freely give unto others, and may glorify thee with our bodies and spirits which are thine, which thou hast redeemed, and which thou preservest from day to day, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayers and Supplications.

Almighty God, who art full of compassion, to whom all our desires, our anxieties and sorrows are known; bestow upon us out of thine infinite fullness such things as we most truly need for body and for soul. What is dark in us do thou

enlighten, what is unholy in us do thou cleanse, what is weak in us do thou strengthen; make us what thou wouldst have us to be; conform us to the image of thy dear Son, and grant us grace to live as His true disciples.

God of all grace and consolation, work in us, we beseech thee, the repentance that needeth not to be repented of, the faith that overcometh the world, the love which is the fulfilling of the law, the hope that maketh not ashamed, the joy which is full of glory, the peace which passeth all understanding: That these things being in us, and abounding, we may neither be barren nor unfruitful in the work of the Lord, but may have an entrance ministered unto us abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour.

Here may be said such other prayers as may be thought desirable.

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,—unto him be glory in the church, by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will

be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture, the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse,

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

O most loving Father, who hast given us grace to pray for ourselves, hear us now while in humility and duty we pray thee for others.

We pray for men every where, that they may be brought to the knowledge and obedience of the truth.

We pray for our native land, and for thy servant, our Sovereign, King George, that his throne may be established in righteousness, and in the hearts and affections of a free, loyal, and religious people ; and that finally he may receive of thee the crown of life which fadeth not away.

We pray for our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family, that thy blessing may rest upon them and thy grace be given to them.

We pray [for the High Court of Parliament now assembled and] for all rulers, judges, and magistrates [especially for the magistrates of this city and those who sit in council with them], that thou wouldest bestow the spirit of wisdom upon all to whom thou hast given the authority of government, and that we, under them, may lead quiet and peaceable lives, in all godliness and honesty.

We pray for all universities and schools of learning [especially for the university of this city] that thou wouldest replenish them with that wisdom which cometh from above.

We pray for the whole company of the faithful throughout the world, that grace, mercy, and peace may be multiplied to all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.

We pray for those who minister in holy things, [and especially for those who serve thee in this parish . . .] that they may feed rightly the flock of Christ; and do thou so perfect thy gifts in them that they may now faithfully discharge their ministry, and at the last may enter into thine eternal joy.

We pray for all who are engaged in works of mercy and compassion, for all who preach the gospel among the heathen, for all who teach the ignorant, who minister to the sick, who visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction, or who plead the cause of the oppressed ; that thou wouldst grant unto them the aid of thy fatherly counsel, and the support of thy divine strength, [especially we ask thy blessing upon . . . every good work for thee carried on in this parish.]

We pray for all who wander in doubt and uncertainty amid the darkness of this present evil world, and for all who are hardened through the deceitfulness of sin, that thou wouldst grant them grace to come unto themselves, the will

and the power to return unto thee, and the loving welcome of thy forgiveness.

We pray for all travellers; for the stranger in a strange land; and for all who are far from home; that they may be kept by thee in peace and safety, and may never want the comforting sense of thy presence.

We pray for our benefactors that they may be rewarded, and for our enemies, that they and we may be tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as thou, for Christ's sake, hast forgiven us.

We pray for all dear to us. Fill us with such love, gentleness, and patience, that we may walk in our homes with a perfect heart, and have joy in each other that passeth not away.

We pray for all in sickness and distress, [and for any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee . . .] that thou wouldst give strength to the weary, aid to the sufferers, comfort to the sad, and help to all in tribulation.

We pray for the dying, that they may depart in the peace of Christ, and be for ever with the Lord.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

And, rejoicing in the communion of saints, we bless thee for all thy servants who have departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially those dear to our own souls. Make us followers of them as they were followers of Christ, that even now we may be one with them in the communion of the same spirit, and hereafter may be gathered together into the bosom of thine infinite and eternal love.

Hear, O Lord, these our thanksgivings, our intercessions, and our prayers: And to thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

Almighty God, who hast bestowed thy word upon us, grant unto us grace rightly to under-

stand it. Save us from using thy word deceitfully, from wresting it to serve our own purpose, from being in bondage to the letter whilst we neglect the spirit; and grant that searching the scriptures diligently we may find in them their testimony to Christ, and beholding his glory reflected in them, may be changed into the same image from glory unto glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

Follow, O God, with thy blessing [the preaching of thy word and] the worship of this day . . .

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

Take us now and evermore into thy good and holy keeping. Go with us where we go, dwell with us where we dwell, and grant that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us thy love, which is immortal, and which thou hast manifested unto mankind in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen

Second Service.

First Sunday of the Month at Evening Prayer, or Tuesday of First Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

WE have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

Let thy Spirit, O Lord, come into the midst of

us. Purify us, we beseech thee, from all guile; unite us to one another in the bonds of love and peace; pour down upon us thy spiritual gifts, and grant that this season of holy quiet may be profitable to us in heavenly things; and refresh and strengthen us to finish the work which thou hast given us to do, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

Almighty and most merciful God, our heavenly Father, we cast ourselves before thee under a deep sense of our unworthiness. We have grievously sinned against thee in thought, in word, and in deed. We have come short of thy glory. We have broken thy commandments, and turned every one of us aside from the way of life. We especially confess those sins now present to our minds. . . . Yet do thou, O most merciful father, hear us when we call upon thee with penitent hearts. Pardon our sins, and grant us thy peace. Purify us, by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, from all inward weakness, and make us able and willing to serve thee in newness of life, to the glory of thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable, the thanksgiving may be said before the prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

O God, giver of all good, and fountain of all mercies, in whom are the springs of our life; all glory, thanks and praise be unto thee for thine overflowing goodness; for thy faithfulness, which is from one generation to another; for thy mercies which are new every morning, fresh every moment, and more than we can number; for seed time and harvest, summer and winter; and days and nights throughout the year; for food, and raiment, and shelter; for health and reason; for childhood and age, and youth and manhood; for thy fatherly hand ever upon us in sickness and in health, in joy and in sorrow, in life and in death; for friends and kindred, and kind benefactors; for home and country; for thy church and for thy gospel, and for any special mercies now in our remembrance . . . yea Lord, for that there is nothing for which we may not bless and thank thee. Therefore do we call upon thy name, and present unto thee the offering of our grateful hearts.

Prayers and Supplications.

God of all power and glory, who hast taught us to be careful for nothing, but in everything by

prayer and supplication to make known our wants unto thee; stretch out thine hand full of blessings, and supply our wants out of thine infinite fulness. Sanctify us in body, soul, and spirit. Guide us evermore in the way of peace. Help us to overcome the world, and to serve thee in our day and generation. Give us courage to confess Christ always, and never to be ashamed of him or of his gospel. May the same mind be in us that was in him, and may we have patience to endure in his service unto the end: That having finished our course with joy, we may rest in hope, and finally attain to the resurrection of the just, through thine infinite grace and mercy

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

O God, our Father, who hearest the cry of thy children, receive these our prayers that we have made unto thee, and grant unto us an answer in peace; and may the words of our mouth and the meditation of our heart be acceptable in thy sight, who art our strength and Redeemer, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this

day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

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Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture, the reader shall say—

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And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

Here us, O Lord, as we approach thy throne of grace to make intercession for others, and grant that our hearts may be filled with charity, peace, and good-will, to all men.

Almighty God, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, from whom proceedeth all power and dominion in heaven and on earth; most heartily we beseech thee to look with favour upon thy servant, His Majesty the King, our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family. Imbue all in authority under our King with the spirit of wisdom, goodness, and truth. Grant thy blessing [to the High Court of Parliament now assembled, and] to all holding offices of trust and power [especially the magistrates of this city, and those who sit in council with them], and so rule their hearts and bless their endeavours that law and order, justice and peace, may everywhere prevail. Preserve us from all public calamities: From pestilence and famine, from war, privy conspiracies, and rebellion; but especially from national sins and corruption. Prosper all endeavours to promote the good of the people. Grant unto all schools and universities [especially the university of this city] power wisely to train the youth of our land. Make us strong and great in the fear of God, and in the love of righteousness; so that being blessed of thee we may become a blessing to all nations, to the praise and glory of thy name.

O thou God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, cause thy blessing, we beseech thee, to rest upon the church which he has purchased with his most precious blood. Illuminate her ministers with the knowledge and understanding of thy word. Send down the healthful dew of thy grace upon all her congregations. Deliver her from false doctrine. Manifest more and more her unity, and clothe her with the beauty of holiness and peace. Establish and reveal thy glory among the nations. Send the light of thy gospel to the dark places of the earth; call back to thy fold those who have wandered therefrom. [Especially we ask thy blessing upon . . . every good work carried on in this parish.] And bring in speedily the full victory of thine everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, the creator and preserver of all mankind, we implore thy mercy in behalf of all classes and conditions of men; that it may please thee to visit them with thy most compassionate help according to their manifold necessities and wants. Bless all who are dear to us. Reward all who have shown us kindness. Forgive, and teach us to forgive, all who have done us wrong. Guide and protect all strangers and travellers. Especi-

ally do we beseech thee to show thy pity upon all widows and orphans; upon all prisoners and captives; upon all sick and dying persons; upon those who are desolate or sore afflicted in any way; and upon any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee . . . Enable all thy sorrowing children to look unto thee, O most merciful Father, and to call upon thy name, that they may find thee a present Saviour in their affliction and distress; and let it please thee to deliver them and raise them up in due time, giving them patience under all their sufferings, the rich comfort of thy grace here below, and eternal rest with thee in heaven.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and who hast knit all thy saints in one communion unto life eternal; Make us thankful for all thy grace and mercy bestowed on those whom thou hast taken to thyself. Keep alive in our hearts the remembrance of their goodness; and give us grace to cherish the hope that when the day breaks and the shadows flee away, we shall meet them again in thy presence with exceeding joy.

Grant an answer, O Lord, to these our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

Almighty and everlasting God, the source of all life and joy, who, by the glad sound of the gospel, hast called us to have part in thy kingdom and glory; Shine powerfully into our hearts, we beseech thee, that we may heartily choose that good part which shall not be taken away from us, and give diligence to make our calling and election sure, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

Grant thy blessing, O Lord, to the service of thy house, and seal every good impression on our hearts.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

To thee we commend ourselves, body, soul, and spirit. Thine is the day, O Lord, thine is the night. Grant that the sun of righteousness may abide in our hearts to drive away the darkness of wicked thoughts; and as thou coverest the earth with darkness cover us over with thine infinite mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Third Service.

Second Sunday of the month at Morning Prayer, or Wednesday of First Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

SEEK ye the Lord while he may be found; call ye upon him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

O thou who hast made thy church thy dwelling-place, and chosen it as thy rest for ever and

hast taught us in thy word not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together ; Regard in thy special mercy all those who are met this day in thy holy courts. Manifest thyself to them as thou dost not unto the world. Bless unto them and unto us all thine ordinances, and may our worship in thy church on earth enable us more truly to serve and glorify thee in our daily life, so that at the last we may come to thy nearer presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

O Lord God, eternal and almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before thy holy majesty that we are miserable sinners ; born in iniquity, prone to evil, unable of ourselves to do that which is good ; transgressing daily and in many ways thy holy commandments ; and in thy just judgment, deserving of condemnation and punishment. But, O Lord, we are deeply grieved for having offended thee. We condemn both ourselves and our sins with unfeigned penitence. We seek refuge in thy mercy, and humbly entreat thee to help us in our misery. Especially we confess the sins which our consciences now charge against us. . . . Be pleased, O father of mercies, to have compassion upon us, and for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son, to pardon all our

sins. Give us peace and assurance of thy forgiveness. Grant unto us also, and increase in us from day to day, the grace of thy holy spirit, that acknowledging and bewailing more and more our iniquities we may forsake them with all our hearts, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness which are well pleasing in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable the thanksgiving may be said before the Prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

O God, thy glory is great in all the churches, and the praises of thy name resound in the assemblies of thy saints. We, thy servants, would humble ourselves before thee; we worship thine infinite majesty, we celebrate thy wisdom, power, and goodness, that shine forth in the works of creation and redemption, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We bless thee for all temporal and spiritual good that we continually receive at thy bountiful hand, and for those mercies now present to our remembrance . . . but more especially with all thy people assembled this day, we praise thee that thou didst send into the world thy Son to save us, and having delivered him for our offences, didst raise him up again for our justification, and through his glorious resurrection from the dead hast given us the blessed hope of everlasting life. O Lord, may these our thanks-

givings come up with acceptance before thee; and do thou make us worthy at the last to have part in the resurrection of the just, and the glory of the kingdom of heaven, whither Jesus, the forerunner, is for us entered. Grant this, O Lord, for his sake.

Prayers and Supplications.

O God, from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift, hear us when we humbly ask of thee those blessings which thy Son has promised to all who are his true disciples:

Make us poor in spirit, that ours may be the kingdom of heaven.

Make us to mourn for sin, that we may be comforted by thy grace.

Make us meek that we may inherit the earth.

Make us to hunger and thirst after righteousness, that we may be filled therewith.

Make us merciful, O Lord, that we may obtain mercy.

Make us pure in heart, that we may see thee, our God.

Make us peace-makers that we may be called thy children.

Make us willing to be persecuted for righteousness'sake, that our reward may be in heaven.

O thou fountain of grace, and of truth, who hast called us out of darkness into the marvellous

light of the gospel of thy dear Son ; Grant us grace to walk worthy of this our vocation, in all lowliness and meekness of mind, endeavouring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace, that our fruit may be unto holiness and the end everlasting life.

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

Now unto him that is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God, our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion, and power, both now and ever.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven : Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

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May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayers—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

Almighty God, who hast commanded us to make prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks for all men, hear these our intercessions which we now present unto thee :

Remember, O Lord, every work of thy hand for good, and visit the whole world in thy mercy.

Remember, O Lord, our native land. Bless its people. Lead us in the way of honour and justice, and of true and enduring prosperity. May we be mindful of the trust which thou hast laid upon us, and ever be found faithful to thy cause.

Remember, O Lord, our Sovereign, King George, our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family. Let thy servant, our Sovereign, rule in thy fear, and live for the welfare of his people. Preserve his throne in peace. Prolong his days on earth ; and finally bring him to the glory of thy kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Remember, O Lord, all in authority, that they may exercise their power as ministers of thy justice and mercy. Especially guide and direct [the High Court of Parliament now assembled], [the magistrates of this city and those who sit in council with them]. May a wise and faithful spirit prevail in our councils ; and may we be delivered from all evil ambitions, selfish motives, and false judgments, that we may hold a worthy place in the community of nations, and live as fellow-citizens of thy kingdom.

Remember, O Lord, the church of thy Son Jesus Christ, which is from one end of the earth to the other. Plenteously furnish her with the gifts of thy spirit. Heal her divisions. Grant unto her peace. Unite all thy people in the bonds of faith, and hope, and charity, and let thy kingdom come everywhere.

Remember, O Lord, those who serve thee in the ministry of thy Son's church [especially those who serve thee in this parish]. Make their ministry blameless. Adorn them with all christian virtues. Make them guides to the blind, light to them that sit in darkness, followers of the good shepherd who gave his life for the sheep; so that at the last they may receive the reward which thou hast prepared for those who have contended earnestly for thy gospel.

Remember, O Lord, all those who are labouring in the cause of thy righteousness and truth, those who preach thy gospel among the heathen, those who bring forth fruits and do good works in thy holy church, and who remember the poor. Recompense them with thy rich and heavenly gifts. Render to them, instead of earthly things, the heavenly; instead of temporal, the eternal; instead of corruptible, the incorruptible.

Remember, O Lord, those who serve thee in the upbringing of the young;—all universities and schools [especially the university of this city]. May they train up a seed to serve thee better in their day than we have been able to do in ours, and be unto thee a name and praise in all generations.

Remember, O Lord, the whole body of the

people,—those present here, and those absent from our midst; and have compassion upon them and on us according to the multitude of thy mercies. Fill their stores with every good thing, keep their families in peace and concord; bring up the little ones; teach the young; strengthen the old; comfort the disheartened; gather those who are scattered; bring back and join to thy church those who have gone astray; guide the travellers by land or sea; solace the lonely; care for the widows; protect the orphans; deliver the captive; heal the sick; prepare the dying.

Remember, O Lord, those who are in tribulation, necessity, or danger [especially any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee]; and all who are in need of thy great compassion; those who love us or hate us; those who have given us charge, unworthy as we are, to pray for them, and those whom, through ignorance or forgetfulness, we have omitted to mention.

[Remember us, O Lord, in the season of the year; grant us temperate and favourable weather. Crown the year with thy goodness.] Receive us all into thy kingdom, showing us to be children of the day and sons of light; and grant us, O Lord our God, thy peace and love.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

And remembering before thee thy whole people on earth, we thank and praise thee for those whom thou hast taken to thyself out of the temptations and sorrows of this present life. Grant that we may not mourn for them, as those who have no hope ; and may we so follow thy saints who have gone before us, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which thou hast prepared for all that love thee from the foundation of the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn ; after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon. At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

Let thy gospel, O Lord, come unto us now, not in word only, but in power and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance : By it may we be guided unto all truth, and strengthened unto all obedience and enduring of thy will with joyful-

ness ; so that abounding in the work of faith, the labour of love, and the patience of hope, we may finally be made meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon. After which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

Merciful Father, accept our worship, and bless it unto us.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

Into thy hands we now solemnly commend ourselves, body, soul, and spirit. Keep us in safety under the shadow of thy wings, and protect us evermore in life and death by thy mighty power, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Fourth Service.

Second Sunday of the month at Evening Prayer, or Thursday of First Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

ASK and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

Almighty and Everlasting God, whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain, much less the

temples which our hands have builded, but who art ever nigh unto the humble and contrite; Shed down thy Holy Spirit, we beseech thee, on all who are here assembled: that being cleansed and illumined by thy grace, we may worthily show forth thy praise, meekly learn thy word, render due thanks for thy mercies, and obtain a gracious answer to our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Father, we have sinned against heaven and in thy sight. We are not worthy to be called thy children. We stand guilty by the witness of our own conscience. We confess our faults, each one. Especially we bewail those which we remember now to have committed. . . . We pray that henceforth we may commit them no more. Mercifully forgive our wanderings. Set us free from the tyranny of our besetting sins. Cleanse the stains of our heart and life. Grant us thy peace. Confirm us in all goodness, that we may serve thee with a pure mind ; and bring us to the life everlasting, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable the thanksgiving may be said before the Prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

Honour and praise be unto thee, O Lord God Almighty, Father in heaven, for all thy loving kindness unto us: for making us after thine own image, for redeeming us by thy dear Son, for sanctifying us with thy Holy Spirit through the revelation of thy blessed word; for helping and succouring us in all our needs and distresses; for saving us from all dangers to body and soul; for comforting us in all our sorrows and afflictions; for sparing us unto this hour; for giving us so many opportunities of serving thee, and for bestowing on us those mercies which we specially have in remembrance. . . . O merciful Father, as we have received these benefits only of thy continual goodness toward us, even so, we beseech thee, grant us thy Holy Spirit that we may grow in continual thankfulness toward thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

Prayers and Supplications.

O Lord, who knowest what is best for us, give us what thou wilt, and deal with us in all things as seemeth good unto thee. Give us clean and innocent hearts, purity of speech, integrity of life. Give us humility, patience, self-denial, pru-

dence, justice, courage, temperance. Give us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and strength, the spirit of knowledge, of goodness, and of thy fear. Make us ever to love thee with all our heart, and soul, and strength, and mind, and to love our neighbour as ourselves; to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thee, waiting in hope and patience for the coming of our master, that we may give in our account with joy.

Here may be said such other prayers as may be thought desirable.

These things, and all other things needful for us, we ask thee to grant unto us, not according to our zeal or our blindness, but according to thine infinite wisdom; not according to our impatience, but in thine own good time; not according to our worthiness, but according to thine infinite grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be all glory in the church throughout all ages, world without end.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our tres-

passes as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

O thou who acceptest the intercessions which thy servants offer in thy Son's name, we beseech thee for all mankind. Let thy pity and pardon extend unto all.

O thou who art the God of our fathers, be mindful of their children, and continue to bless our native land; and as thou hast given us a high place among the nations of the world, and permitted us to increase in power and riches, may we be mindful of the trust laid upon us, and ever be faithful to thy cause.

O thou king of kings, and ruler of princes, be merciful to thy servant, King George, to our gracious Queen Mary, to Alexandra, the Queen Mother, to Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family. Multiply upon our Sovereign and upon his family thine excellent gifts. Prosper his righteous undertakings; direct his endeavours to the welfare of his people; and as thou hast placed him over us in thy mercy, preserve him evermore by thy mighty power.

O thou who distributest among men different degrees of power and ability to serve thee, we beseech thee for all rulers, judges, and magistrates [especially for the High Court of Parliament now assembled], [and for the magistrates and council of this city,] that thou wouldst bestow on them all those capacities and dispositions which are suitable to their high office [and do thou grant thy blessing unto our university and to those that bear rule therein].

O thou who art the wholesome defence of thine anointed, we earnestly beseech thee for the whole christian church. Fill it with all truth, and in all truth with all peace: where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is in want, supply it; where it is divided and rent asunder, unite and heal it.

O thou Lord of the harvest, have respect, we beseech thee, to our prayers, and send forth labourers into thine harvest. Look with compassion on the heathen that have not known thee, and on the multitudes that are as sheep having no shepherd; and fill all who serve thee in the ministry of thy blessed gospel, or who seek the welfare of men, with great zeal for thy glory, for the honour of Christ our Lord, and for the salvation of thy people.

O thou who hast given us the faith of Christ for a light unto our feet amid the darkness of this world, have pity upon all who, doubting or denying it, have gone astray from the path of safety. Bring home the truth to their hearts, and give them grace to receive it as little children.

O thou who hast taught us to love them that love us, pour out thy blessings great and manifold upon all our benefactors, friends, and kindred.

Help us to love each other in thee and for thee; to be one in heart amid all separations, and finally unite us for ever at thy feet, where peace and love are perfect and immortal.

O thou who requirest us to overcome evil with good, we commend to thy mercy all who have wronged us, whether by word or deed, beseeching thee to forgive them all their sins, and to bring them together with us to thy heavenly kingdom.

O thou whom no distance of time or place can part from those for whom thou carest, be present with all who travel by land or by sea, and through all the way in which they are to go, be pleased to be their guide and companion.

O thou comforter of the comfortless, help of the helpless, strength of the weary; comfort, heal, and sustain all in loneliness, sickness, or distress of any kind, and may the dying be gently led till they shall have passed through the dark valley which leads to the eternal home [and if there are any of thy sorrowing children known to ourselves we name them in our hearts before thee].

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

O thou before whose face the generations rise and pass away, we thank thee for all those whom death hath taken from us and hidden from our eyes, and who, resting from their labours, have gone home to thy nearer presence. Unite us still, God of our souls, in one household of faith and love, one family in heaven and upon earth, and sustain us by the joyful hope of meeting again those who are gone from us, and being joined with them in still closer bonds of love and service. Which things we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon. At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

Cause thy church to arise and shine, O Lord, and let her ministers be clothed with righteous-

ness and salvation, that thy word, which is in their hands, may not return unto thee void, but have free course and be glorified, prospering in the thing whereunto thou hast sent it, and prevailing mightily to turn men from darkness unto light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and an inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith, which is in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we go from the service of thy house. Pardon the sins of our holy things.

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

Compass us about with thy favour as with a shield; cover us with the armour of thy righteousness; fence us round with thy truth; guard us by thy power; and grant us to pass this day, and all the days of our life, in fulness of peace and holiness, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Fifth Service.

Third Sunday of the Month at Morning Prayer, or Friday of First Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

ACQUAINT thyself with God and be at peace. If thou return to the Almighty thou shalt be built up: he shall be thy defence. Then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty and shalt lift up thy face to God. Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him and he shall hear thee. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

O merciful God, through whose good hand upon us we have been brought once more into

the courts of thy house, incline thy loving ear to our prayers, and illumine our hearts with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that in thy light we may see light. Vouchsafe unto us who are here assembled the comfort of thy presence. Let thy heavenly peace rule in our hearts. May we worship thee with one accord; and grant unto us earnestly to desire and to seek after the blessings for which we are now about to pray; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

We come before thee, O Father in heaven, with hearts troubled and cast down by the memory of past sins. We have greatly sinned against thee many times and in many ways, as we now sorrowfully remember in thy presence. . . . Our lives bear testimony against us. We have been prone to that which is evil and averse to that which is good. Unto thee belong glory and honour, but unto us shame and confusion of face. O Lord God, merciful and gracious, long suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, for Christ's sake look upon us with an eye of pity and compassion, as we now, with sincere confession, humble ourselves before thee. Be pleased, of thy great kindness, to grant that we who are bowed down by the sense of our sins, may be re-

freshed and lifted up with the joy of thy salvation, the assurance of thy forgiveness, and the peace which passeth all understanding. May we henceforth fulfil our days on earth in thy service; and may we finally be led out of all our darkness into thy heavenly light, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—When thought desirable, the thanksgiving may be said before the prayer for Illumination.

A General Thanksgiving.

O God, Creator, Benefactor, and Father of all mankind, we come before thee to acknowledge thine infinite goodness, and to praise thee for thy mercies which are over all thy works; but especially to thank thee for those unspeakable mysteries of wisdom and love of which we are now so joyfully reminded. We acknowledge that we are the work of thy hand; that all our outward advantages are the gifts of thy providence; that all our consolation and peace flow from thy grace. We bless thee for those comforts which have sustained and gladdened us in every stage of our earthly life, and for all those blessings now present to our remembrance. . . . Above all, we thank thee for the mission of thy beloved Son, and for the precious gospel of his grace. Glory be to thee that his doctrines perfectly enlighten our mind; that his precepts point out to us the path of duty; that his ex-

ample incites and encourages our works of love; that his death speaks peace and joy to the believer; that his resurrection from the grave gives unto us an assurance of immortality; that his ascension enlivens our best and dearest hopes; that his Holy Spirit enlightens, sanctifies, and upholds us; and that through the ministry of his church we are built up in our most holy faith. Accept, O God, we beseech thee, the expression of our thankfulness for these inestimable mercies. For of thee, and through thee, and to thee are all things; to whom be glory for ever and ever.

Prayers and Supplications.

God of the spirits of all flesh, we remember before thee our daily life, with all its changes and constant needs, that it may be most truly that which it ought to be, and worthy those who bear the name of thy Son. We remember the duties of the station to which thou hast called us, that whatever they are, they may always be performed as in thy sight. We remember our temptations, that we may fight against them, and have strength given us to resist them. We remember the sin that doth so easily beset us, that through thy grace we may obtain the victory. We remember the joy and brightness of our life, that in our gladness we may be filled with gratitude to thee and kindness to others. We

remember its sorrows, that in our saddest hours we may know that thou art near us, and tnat we are not forsaken of thee. And we remember our coming departure from this world, that we may be delivered from the fear of death, and be found with our lamps burning, and our loins girt about waiting the coming of our master.

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

O most loving Father, in darkness and in light, in sorrow and in joy, in life and in death, may we feel thy hand laid upon us, and abide in the peace of thy children, now and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part

of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

Hear us, O Lord, as we approach thy throne of grace to make intercession for others, and grant that our hearts may be filled with charity, peace, and good-will to all men.

Almighty God, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, from whom proceedeth all power and dominion in heaven and on earth; most heartily we beseech thee to look with favour upon thy servant, His Majesty the King, our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the Royal family. Imbue all in authority under our King with the spirit of wisdom, goodness, and truth. Grant thy blessing [to the High Court of Parliament now assembled, and] to all holding offices of trust and

power [especially the magistrates of this city, and those who sit in council with them], and so rule their hearts and bless their endeavours that law and order, justice and peace, may everywhere prevail. Preserve us from all public calamities: From pestilence and famine, from war, privy conspiracies, and rebellion; but especially from national sins and corruption. Prosper all endeavours to promote the good of the people. Grant unto all schools and universities [especially the university of this city] power wisely to train the youth of our land. Make us strong and great in the fear of God, and in the love of righteousness; so that being blessed of thee we may become a blessing to all nations, to the praise and glory of thy name.

O thou God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, cause thy blessing, we beseech thee, to rest upon the church which he has purchased with his most precious blood. Illuminate her ministers with the knowledge and understanding of thy word. Send down the healthful dew of thy grace upon all her congregations. Deliver her from false doctrine. Manifest more and more her unity, and clothe her with the beauty of holiness and peace. Establish and reveal thy glory among the nations. Send the light of thy gospel to the dark places

of the earth. Call back to thy fold those who have wandered therefrom. [Especially we ask thy blessing upon . . . every good work carried on in this parish.] And bring in speedily the full victory of thine everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, the creator and preserver of all mankind, we implore thy mercy on behalf of all classes and conditions of men ; that it may please thee to visit them with thy most compassionate help according to their manifold necessities and wants. Bless all who are dear to us. Reward all who have shown us kindness. Forgive, and teach us to forgive, all who have done us wrong. Guide and protect all strangers and travellers. Especially do we beseech thee to show thy pity upon all widows and orphans ; upon all prisoners and captives ; upon all sick and dying persons ; upon those who are desolate or sore afflicted in any way ; and upon any such known to ourselves, whom we name in our hearts before thee . . . Enable all thy sorrowing children to look unto thee, O most merciful Father, and to call upon thy name, that they may find thee a present Saviour in their affliction and distress ; and let it please thee to deliver them and raise them up in due time, giving them patience under all their sufferings, the rich comfort of thy grace here below, and eternal rest with thee in heaven.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and who hast knit all thy saints in one communion unto life eternal; Make us thankful for all thy grace and mercy bestowed on those whom thou hast taken to thyself. Keep alive in our hearts the remembrance of their goodness; and give us grace to cherish the hope that when the day breaks and the shadows flee away, we shall meet them again in thy presence with exceeding joy.

Grant an answer to these our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

O Lord of light, bless the preaching of thy word here and everywhere this day. Make pure our hearts and we shall see thee; reveal thyself

unto us and we shall love thee. Strengthen our wills, and we shall choose the good from the evil; and day by day manifest in the world the glory and power of thy blessed gospel, which thou hast sent us through thy Son Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon. After which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

O God, who hast sounded in our ears thy divine and saving oracles, enlighten our minds to the full understanding of those things which we have this day heard, that we may not merely be hearers of spiritual words, but doers also of good works, following after faith unfeigned, blameless life, and conduct without reproach, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

Depart thou not from any one of us, O God, though we part from one another. Guide our steps, wherever we go, in the way of righteousness and peace; defend us from all harm and danger; and deliver us from the power of dark-

ness, that we may walk all our days before thee in the light of the living, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord ; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Sixth Service.

Third Sunday of the month at Evening Prayer, or Saturday of First Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

O WORSHIP the Lord in the beauty of holiness; delight thyself also in the Lord and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for him. Cast thy burden upon the Lord and he will sustain thee. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

Almighty God, from whom every good prayer

cometh, and who pourest out on all who desire it, the spirit of grace and supplication, deliver us when we draw nigh thee from all coldness of heart and wandering of mind ; fix our affections on thyself and on thy service ; fill us with holy, peaceful, and beautiful thoughts ; that with steadfast minds and kindled affections we may now worship thee in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

O most holy God, if we confess our sins thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins. With deep sorrow, humility, and penitence we bow before thee and make our confession. We are stained by many sins. We cannot answer for one of our transgressions. We are without excuse before thee. To thee we show our weakness ; to thee we open our shame. To thine ear we tell those things which it is bitter for us now to remember. . . . Unto thee before whom we cannot stand as our judge our soul crieth as our Saviour. Thou art acquainted with all our ways ; thou knowest our frame ; thou rememberest that we are dust. Thy Son is the propitiation for our sins. We know that our sins are many, but our hope is in thy mercies, which are more than can be numbered. O merciful

God, grant unto us who have made our confession, true repentance, pardon, and peace, that being cleansed from all our sins, nothing may be able to separate us from thy love all the days of our life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable the thanksgiving may be said before the Prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

O God of all goodness and love, with one heart and as with one voice we give thanks unto thee, who, dwelling in the highest heaven, vouchsafest to regard the lowest creature upon earth. We bless thee for all mercies now in our remembrance. . . . Thou hast forgiven our iniquities; thou hast healed our diseases; thou hast redeemed our life from destruction; thou hast crowned us with loving kindness and with tender mercies. Thou hast not dealt with us after our sins, neither rewarded us according to our iniquities; thou hast kept our feet from falling, our eyes from tears, our souls from death. As the heaven is high above the earth, so great hath been thy mercy. Thou didst so love the world that thou gavest thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. Thou hast brought life and immortality to light through his gospel. Thou hast begotten us unto a lively hope by his resurrection from the dead. Thy spirit also helpeth our infir-

mities. Thy strength is made perfect in our weakness. Thy grace is sufficient for us. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and forget not all his benefits. Henceforth and for evermore we will praise thy holy name.

Prayers and Supplications.

O God, thou who hast been mindful of us and loaded us with thy benefits, continue thy mercy to thy children. Give us grace peacefully to serve thee day by day in our station and place in life. Amid the snares and temptations of the world, protect our weakness with thy never-failing love. Keep us from harm within us and without us; from the evil that is in ourselves; from the evil in the world around us; from all selfish, uncharitable, and impure thoughts; from all hard and bitter words; from doing that which should not be done, and from leaving undone that which should be done. Keep us in the constant sense of our membership in Christ, in the thought that we are his soldiers and servants, in the love of our Father's house, and in the blessed hope of our eternal home.

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

O ever faithful God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, grant us thy heavenly grace to persevere

in the true christian faith, and to live a godly life; that after the trials and afflictions of this mortal state, we may enter into the company and fellowship of thy redeemed people, and see thee face to face, and love and praise, and magnify and worship thee, world without end.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture, the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

O most loving Father, who hast given us grace to pray for ourselves, hear us now while in humility and duty we pray thee for others.

We pray for men everywhere, that they may be brought to the knowledge and obedience of the truth.

We pray for our native land, and for thy servant, our Sovereign, King George, that his throne may be established in righteousness, and in the hearts and affections of a free, loyal, and religious people ; and that finally he may receive of thee the crown of life which fadeth not away.

We pray for our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family, that thy blessing may rest upon them and thy grace be given to them.

We pray [for the High Court of Parliament now assembled and] for all rulers, judges, and magistrates [especially for the magistrates of this city

and those who sit in council with them], that thou wouldest bestow the spirit of wisdom upon all to whom thou hast given the authority of government, and that we under them may lead quiet and peaceable lives, in all godliness and honesty.

We pray for all universities and schools of learning [especially for the university of this city], that thou wouldest replenish them with that wisdom which cometh from above.

We pray for the whole company of the faithful throughout the world; that grace, mercy, and peace may be multiplied to all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.

We pray for those who minister in holy things, [and especially for those who serve thee in this parish. . . .] that they may feed rightly the flock of Christ; and do thou so perfect thy gifts in them that they may now faithfully discharge their ministry, and at the last may enter into thine eternal joy.

We pray for all who are engaged in works of mercy and compassion: For all who preach the gospel among the heathen, for all who teach the ignorant, who minister to the sick, who visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction, or

who plead the cause of the oppressed; that thou wouldst grant unto them the aid of thy fatherly counsel, and the support of thy divine strength, [especially we ask thy blessing upon . . . every good work for thee carried on in this parish].

We pray for all who wander in doubt and uncertainty amid the darkness of this present evil world, and for all who are hardened through the deceitfulness of sin, that thou wouldst grant them grace to come unto themselves, the will and the power to return unto thee, and the loving welcome of thy forgiveness.

We pray for all travellers; for the stranger in a strange land; and for all who are far from home; that they may be kept by thee in peace and safety, and may never want the comforting sense of thy presence.

We pray for our benefactors that they may be rewarded, and for our enemies that they and we may be tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as thou, for Christ's sake, hast forgiven us.

We pray for all dear to us. Fill us with such love, gentleness, and patience, that we may walk in our homes with a perfect heart, and have joy in each other that passeth not away.

We pray for all in sickness and distress, [and

for any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee . . .] that thou wouldst give strength to the weary, aid to the sufferer, comfort to the sad, and help to all in tribulation.

We pray for the dying, that they may depart in the peace of Christ, and be for ever with the Lord.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

And, rejoicing in the communion of saints, we bless thee for all thy servants who have departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially those dear to our own souls. Make us followers of them as they were followers of Christ, that even now we may be one with them in the communion of the same spirit, and hereafter may be gathered together into the bosom of thine infinite and eternal love.

Hear, O Lord, these our thanksgivings for them, our intercessions for others, and our prayers for ourselves: And to thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon. At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should

such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

O God, whose word is quick and powerful, and sharper than a two-edged sword, grant that we may receive it into our hearts in faith and love. By it may we be instructed, guided, upheld, and comforted, that we may be no longer children in understanding, but may grow to the stature of perfect men in Christ Jesus, prepared for every good word and work to the honour and glory of thy name.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

Command thy blessing, we pray thee, O Lord, upon the word which we have at this time heard, and upon the means of grace which have been used for our spiritual benefit.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

Keep us by day and by night, O thou Shep-

herd of Israel, whose eyes are upon the righteous, and with whom the darkness is as light. Save us from all the works and powers of darkness. And make us children of the light and of the day, that we may dwell in the light of thy presence for ever, through him who is our light and life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain, with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Seventh Service.

Fourth Sunday of the month at Morning Prayer, or Monday of Second Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

THE hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: For the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who dost

promise that in all places where thou dost record thy name, thou wilt meet with thy people to bless them, fulfil now thy promise unto us, and make us joyful in thy house of prayer, and grant that our worship being offered in the name and in the spirit of thy Son, may be acceptable unto thee, and may be profitable unto ourselves, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

We poor sinners acknowledge before thee, our Lord God, and Creator, that we have grievously and in manifold ways sinned against thee, not only with outward transgressions, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, impenitence, pride, hatred, and other sinful thoughts and feelings, as thou, O Lord, knowest, and as we, alas! cannot deeply enough deplore. We confess these and all other sins which thou bringest to our remembrance. . . . We repent and are sorry for them. O merciful God, reckon not against us our iniquities, but blot out our transgressions. Regard, for Christ's sake, us thy children, who have sought thy pardon and forgiveness, with the eye of thy mercy. Strengthen us continually with thy divine and life-giving Spirit, and restore unto us the joy of thy salvation, and the light of thy countenance, that

we may abide thy faithful servants unto everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable the thanksgiving may be said before the Prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

O God, who givest to thy children liberally and upbraidest not, we thank thee for all thy mercies and especially for those now in our remembrance. . . . For the world and all that is therein; for everything beautiful that thou hast made; for the changing seasons; and for all that speaks to us of thy wisdom and love. For reason and conscience; for our upbringing and nurture; for the success in life thou hast given us; and for all the way by which thou hast led us unto this present hour. For loving parents, for faithful pastors and teachers, for benefactors never to be forgotten; for brethren of one mind with us, and for all who have helped us onward in our heavenward way. For our inheritance in a nation so great and a church so free; for the light of the gospel of thy dear Son—ever brightening more and more to the perfect day. For the riches of thy word, ever yielding up treasures new and old, to those who humbly seek them; for the growth of knowledge in all forms amongst us, enabling us better to understand thy holy will and to do thy blessed work. We thank thee also for the constant hope of a life beyond the

grave, where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest, where thy whole counsel shall be revealed, no longer doubted or disputed of men; and where the sorrows and separations of earth shall be ended in the catholic and perfect union with one another, and with thee, O Father, and with thy dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, through thine eternal Spirit.

Prayers and Supplications.

O God, who hast given unto us in the midst of our temptations and trials, the great hope of eternal life through the mediation of thy Son Jesus Christ, grant that while here in the flesh we may have our conversation in heaven, and may feel the power of the world to come. May we labour not only for the meat that perisheth but for that which endureth unto life everlasting. May we use the world as not abusing it. Though in the world may we not be of it. May we seek that holiness without which no man shall see thee; and be faithful to the trust committed to us, working out our salvation with fear and trembling, that in the end we may be found worthy to stand before the Son of Man, and may receive the crown of righteousness which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

Here may be said such other prayers as may be thought desirable.

O thou God of peace who broughtest from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant; hear our prayers, we beseech thee. Make us perfect in every good work, to do thy will; working in us that which is well-pleasing in thy sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture, the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

O thou who acceptest the intercessions which thy servants offer in thy Son's name, we beseech thee for all mankind. Let thy pity and pardon extend unto all.

O thou who art the God of our fathers, be mindful of their children, and continue to bless our native land; and as thou hast given us a high place among the nations of the world, and permitted us to increase in power and riches, may we be mindful of the trust laid upon us, and ever be faithful to thy cause.

O thou king of kings, and ruler of princes, be merciful to thy servant, King George, to our

gracious Queen Mary, to Alexandra, the Queen Mother, to Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family. Multiply upon our Sovereign and upon his family thine excellent gifts. Prosper his righteous undertakings; direct his endeavours to the welfare of his people; and as thou hast placed him over us in thy mercy, preserve him evermore by thy mighty power.

O thou who distributest among men different degrees of power and ability to serve thee, we beseech thee for all rulers, judges, and magistrates [especially for the High Court of Parliament now assembled], [and for the magistrates and council of this city], that thou wouldst bestow on them all those capacities and dispositions which are suitable to their high office [and do thou grant thy blessing unto our university and to those that bear rule therein].

O thou who art the wholesome defence of thine anointed, we earnestly beseech thee for the whole christian church. Fill it with all truth, and in all truth with all peace: Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is in want, supply it; where it is divided and rent asunder, unite and heal it.

O thou Lord of the harvest, have respect, we

beseech thee, to our prayers, and send forth labourers into thine harvest. Look with compassion on the heathen that have not known thee, and on the multitudes that are as sheep having no shepherd; and fill all who serve thee in the ministry of thy blessed gospel, or who seek the welfare of men, with great zeal for thy glory, for the honour of Christ our Lord, and for the salvation of thy people.

O thou who hast given us the faith of Christ for a light unto our feet amid the darkness of this world, have pity upon all who, doubting or denying it, have gone astray from the path of safety. Bring home the truth to their hearts, and give them grace to receive it as little children.

O thou who hast taught us to love them that love us, pour out thy blessings great and manifold upon all our benefactors, friends, and kindred. Help us to love each other in thee and for thee; to be one in heart amid all separations, and finally unite us for ever at thy feet, where peace and love are perfect and immortal.

O thou who requirest us to overcome evil with good, we commend to thy mercy all who have wronged us, whether by word or deed, beseeching thee to forgive them all their sins, and

to bring them together with us to thy heavenly kingdom.

O thou whom no distance of time or place can part from those for whom thou carest, be present with all who travel by land or by sea, and through all the way in which they are to go be pleased to be their guide and companion.

O thou comforter of the comfortless, help of the helpless, strength of the weary ; comfort, heal, and sustain all in loneliness, sickness, or distress of any kind, and may the dying be gently led till they shall have passed through the dark valley which leads to the eternal home [and if there are any of thy sorrowing children known to ourselves we name them in our hearts before thee].

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

O thou before whose face the generations rise and pass away, we thank thee for all those whom death hath taken from us and hidden from our eyes, and who, resting from their labours, have gone home to thy nearer presence. Unite us still, God of our souls, in one household of faith and love, one family in heaven and upon earth, and sustain us by the joyful hope of meeting again those who are gone from us, and being

joined with them in still closer bonds of love and service. Which things we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

O God, whose inspiration giveth to man understanding, and who didst bestow upon thy servants of old gifts of wisdom, knowledge, and utterance; grant the enlightening grace of thy Holy Spirit to us here before thee; that our speaking and hearing may be to our edification and profit, to the increase of our knowledge, faith, and obedience, and to our holiness and growth in grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

O God, look down upon thy servants who have presented themselves before thee, and whose feet have stood this day in the holy place.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

Stretch now forth thy powerful and merciful hand and bless us. Preserve us that in all times and in all places we may glorify and serve thee; arm us with the armour of light against the lusts of the flesh, and the temptations of the world; and bring us at last to worship thee in the house not made with hands, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the know-

ledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Eighth Service.

Fourth Sunday of the Month at Evening Prayer, or Tuesday of Second Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

O COME let us worship and bow down: Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

O God, Light of the hearts that see thee, and Life of the souls that love thee, and Strength of the thoughts that seek thee; from whom to be

turned away is to fall, to whom to be turned is to rise, and in whom to abide is to stand fast for ever; grant us now thy grace and blessing as we are here assembled to offer up our common supplications, and though we are unworthy to approach thee, or to ask anything of thee at all, vouchsafe to hear and to answer us, for the sake of our great high priest and advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

We confess unto thee, Father Almighty, all our sins, which we have committed in thought, in word, in deed, against thy holy will and commandments, and against the law of Christ. We have not been faithful and true; we have not been pure and holy; we have too often not been meek, patient, forbearing, moderate, temperate, having our conversation in heaven. But especially, O God, with bitter contrition we bewail those things which are the present burden of our heart and conscience. . . . For all our sins and transgressions which in thy grace thou bringest to our remembrance, we cast ourselves upon thy mercy, and for those also which, through our ignorance or foolishness, or the darkness of our heart we remember not or think of, but which

thou seest that we have committed against thee, we ask forgiveness. Cleanse us from them all for thy mercy's sake, O Lord, through Jesus Christ thy Son, who is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable, the thanksgiving may be said before the prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

O God, who art ever loving us and doing us good, the memory of thy goodness is present with us this day, as we call to mind the mercies with which thou hast blessed and art now blessing our lives. . . . They are more than we can either remember or name. With grateful hearts we magnify thee, we worship thee, we give thanks unto thee for them all: For thy bountiful providence; for thy redeeming mercy; for thy sanctifying grace; for all the blessings of this present life, and all the hopes of a better life to come. Let the memory of thy goodness, we beseech thee, fill our hearts with unceasing joy and thankfulness. May we love thee more truly, in time to come, who hast so wonderfully loved us. As thou hast loved us so may we love one another. As we have been redeemed in thy mercy, may we dedicate ourselves to thy service—consecrating our lives day by day unto thee, and doing thy holy and blessed will, which thou hast revealed unto us, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayers and Supplications.

O God, who has called us, the children of many mercies, to serve thee with a holy service in this present world, make clear unto us day by day what thou wouldest have us to do, and ever give us grace faithfully to perform the same. May we not seek only to please ourselves, but be ever ready to sacrifice ourselves at the command of thy holy law, even as Christ pleased not himself. Assist us to mortify our wicked desires, to overcome our evil passions, and to destroy our besetting sins. Strengthen us to overcome sensuality by self-denial, anger by meekness, indifference by devotion, and always evil with good. Restrain us from all intemperance and excess; from all vanity in speech and behaviour; and make us sober and watchful unto prayer. Suffer us not in our health and prosperity to forget thee, or in our sickness and adversity to think ourselves forgotten of thee. Serving thee humbly now upon earth, when the shadows of this life are passed away, may we enjoy the vision of thy heavenly glory.

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is

named, we bow our knees unto thee, praying that thou wouldest grant us, according to the riches of thy glory, to be strengthened with all might in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in our hearts by faith; and that we being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend, with all saints, what is the length and breadth, and depth and height, and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that we may be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church throughout all ages, world without end.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament.

Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture, the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayers—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

Almighty God, who hast commanded us to make prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks for all men, hear these our intercessions which we now present unto thee:

Remember, O Lord, every work of thy hand for good, and visit the whole world in thy mercy.

Remember, O Lord our native land. Bless its people. Lead us in the way of honour and justice, and of true and enduring prosperity. May we be mindful of the trust which thou hast laid upon us, and ever be found faithful to thy cause.

Remember, O Lord, our Sovereign, King George, our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family. Let thy servant, our Sovereign, rule in thy fear, and live for the welfare of his people. Preserve his throne in peace. Prolong his days on earth ; and finally bring him to the glory of thy kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Remember, O Lord, all in authority, that they may exercise their power as ministers of thy justice and mercy. [Especially guide and direct the High Court of Parliament now assembled] [the magistrates of this city and those who sit in council with them]. May a wise and faithful spirit prevail in our councils ; and may we be delivered from all evil ambitions, selfish motives, and false judgments, that we may hold a worthy place in the community of nations, and live as fellow-citizens of thy kingdom.

Remember, O Lord, the church of thy Son Jesus Christ, which is from one end of the earth to the other. Plenteously furnish her with the gifts of thy spirit. Heal her divisions. Grant unto her peace. Unite all thy people in the bonds of faith, and hope, and charity, and let thy kingdom come everywhere.

Remember, O Lord, those who serve thee in the ministry of thy Son's church [especially those who serve thee in this parish]. Make their ministry blameless. Adorn them with all christian virtues. Make them guides to the blind, light to them that sit in darkness, followers of the good shepherd who gave his life for the sheep; so that at the last they may receive the reward which thou hast prepared for those who have contended earnestly for thy gospel.

Remember, O Lord, all those who are labouring in the cause of thy righteousness and truth, those who preach thy gospel among the heathen, those who bring forth fruits and do good works in thy holy church, and who remember the poor. Recompense them with thy rich and heavenly gifts. Render to them, instead of earthly things, the heavenly; instead of temporal, the eternal; instead of corruptible, the incorruptible.

Remember, O Lord, those who serve thee in the upbringing of the young;—all universities and schools [especially the university of this city]. May they train up a seed to serve thee better in their day than we have been able to do in ours, and be unto thee a name and praise in all generations.

Remember, O Lord, the whole body of the people,—those present here, and those absent from our midst; and have compassion upon them and on us according to the multitude of thy mercies. Fill their stores with every good thing, keep their families in peace and concord; bring up the little ones; teach the young; strengthen the old; comfort the disheartened; gather those who are scattered; bring back and join to thy church those who have gone astray; guide the travellers by land or sea; solace the lonely; care for the widows; protect the orphans; deliver the captive; heal the sick; prepare the dying.

Remember, O Lord, those who are in tribulation, necessity, or danger [especially any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee . . .]; and all who are in need of thy great compassion; those who love us or hate us; those who have given us charge, unworthy as we are, to pray for them; and those whom, through ignorance or forgetfulness, we have omitted to mention.

[Remember us, O Lord, in the season of the year; grant us temperate and favourable weather. Crown the year with thy goodness.] Receive us all into thy kingdom, showing us to be children

of the day and sons of light; and grant us, O Lord our God, thy peace and love.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

And remembering before thee thy whole people on earth, we thank and praise thee for those whom thou hast taken to thyself out of the temptations and sorrows of this present life. Grant that we may not mourn for them as those who have no hope; and may we so follow thy saints, who have gone before us, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which thou hast prepared for all that love thee from the foundation of the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

O God, whom it hath pleased, by the foolishness of preaching, to save them that believe, guide thy ministers in exercising the stewardship

of thy mysteries, and in giving to thy waiting people their portion of food in due season; and give to the hearers of thy word grace to receive it always in the love of it, and to be not hearers only but also doers of the thing which thou hast spoken.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A *Commendatory Prayer*

Let thy blessing be upon us, O Lord, and on the word which we have heard this day.

Here may be said such other prayers as may be thought desirable.

Mercifully defend us from all evil of body and soul; and when the night and darkness of this life are passed away, grant that we may awake to behold the light of thine eternal glory in thy heavenly kingdom, through him that loved us and hath redeemed us with his precious blood.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord ; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Ninth Service.

Fifth Sunday of the month at Morning Prayer, or Wednesday of Second Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

LET us search and try our ways and turn unto the Lord. Let us lift up our hearts with our hands unto God in the heavens. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

O Lord our God, in the peace and silence of thy house, and of this hour of prayer, we would

seek strength for the duties, comfort for the sorrows, and light for the perplexities of our daily life. Grant unto us, we beseech thee, thy blessing. Cleanse and make us holy, that we may now perform the worship of our fathers in thy fear, for thou art he who blessest and hallowest all things, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

Holy, holy, holy art thou, O Lord God Almighty. Thou dwellest in light unto which no man can approach, and canst not look with pleasure upon sin. We confess unto thee, O most merciful Father, that we are justly chargeable with numerous transgressions and omissions of duty. We acknowledge with sorrow and repentance that we have been unmindful of thy goodness and disobedient to thy laws. We remember those sins by which we feel sadly in thy presence our life has been stained. . . . We have sinned wilfully and grievously, yet have pity on us. Grant unto us full remission and forgiveness. Absolve us from all our sins, iniquities, and transgressions. Give unto us peace through the word of pardon declared in the blessed gospel of thy Son Jesus Christ, and vouchsafe unto us the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit; that at this time

we may offer unto thee acceptable worship; that for the time to come we may serve and please thee in righteousness and true holiness; and that at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ we may be found of him in peace unto salvation.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable the thanksgiving may be said before the Prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

Thy mercy, O Lord, is from everlasting to everlasting. Both when we sleep and when we wake it is around us. It never faileth. It is with us when we know it not. All things are full of thee. The heavens declare thy glory; the earth is full of thy riches; so also is the great and wide sea. The day is thine, the night also is thine: Thou hast made summer and winter. We thank thee for thy constant goodness; for the bounty which has supplied our wants; for the providence which has kept us from harm; for the infinite love which has redeemed us from sin; for the grace which has enabled us in some measure to serve thee in the world; for the ministrations of thy church on earth; and the promise of an inheritance in heaven. We thank thee specially for those mercies now in our remembrance. . . . Lord make us more worthy of all thy goodness, and give us grace to give thanks unto thee for all things, and to bless thy holy name for ever and ever.

O thou in whom we live and move and have our being, we know not what earthly things to ask of thee, for we know not whether joy or sorrow, sickness or health, prosperity or adversity, is best for us, and enables us best to do thy will; but whatever of these things thou givest unto us, grant unto us the knowledge of that which it is good for us to do, the power to do always the good which we know, the love of what is holy and true, and the hatred of what is false and unworthy of thy children. May our conversation be edifying, our influence in the world always for good, and may our light so shine before others that they may glorify thee our Father in heaven.

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

Grant unto us, O Lord, in all our difficulties thy counsel; in all our perplexities thy guidance; in all our dangers thy protection; in all our sorrows thy peace; and in the end eternal rest with the righteous through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be glory for ever and ever.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this

day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

Hear us, O Lord, as we approach thy throne of grace to make intercession for others, and grant that our hearts may be filled with charity, peace, and goodwill, to all men.

Almighty God, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, from whom proceedeth all power and dominion in heaven and on earth ; most heartily we beseech thee to look with favour upon thy servant, His Majesty the King, our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the Royal family. Imbue all in authority under our King with the spirit of wisdom, goodness, and truth. Grant thy blessing [to the High Court of Parliament now assembled, and] to all holding offices of trust, and power [especially the magistrates of this city, and those who sit in council with them], and so rule their hearts and bless their endeavours that law and order, justice and peace, may everywhere prevail. Preserve us from all public calamities : from pestilence and famine, from war, privy conspiracies, and rebellion ; but especially from national sins and corruption. Prosper all endeavours to promote the good of the people. Grant unto all schools and universities [especially the university of this city] power wisely to train the youth of our land. Make us strong and great in the fear of God, and in the love of righteousness; so that being blessed of thee we may become a blessing to all nations, to the praise and glory of thy name.

O thou God and Father of our Lord Jesus

Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, cause thy blessing, we beseech thee, to rest upon the Church which he has purchased with his most precious blood. Illuminate her ministers with the knowledge and understanding of thy word. Send down the healthful dew of thy grace upon all her congregations. Deliver her from false doctrine. Manifest more and more her unity, and clothe her with the beauty of holiness and peace. Establish and reveal thy glory among the nations. Send the light of thy gospel to the dark places of the earth; call back to thy fold those who have wandered therefrom. [Especially we ask thy blessing upon . . . every good work carried on in this parish]. And bring in speedily the full victory of thine everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we implore thy mercy on behalf of all classes and conditions of men; that it may please thee to visit them with thy most compassionate help according to their manifold necessities and wants. Bless all who are dear to us. Reward all who have shown us kindness. Forgive, and teach us to forgive, all who have done us wrong. Guide and protect all strangers and travellers. Especially do we beseech thee to show thy pity upon

all widows and orphans; upon all prisoners and captives; upon all sick and dying persons; upon those who are desolate or sore afflicted in any way; and upon any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee . . . Enable all thy sorrowing children to look unto thee, O most merciful Father, and to call upon thy name, that they may find thee a present Saviour in their affliction and distress; and let it please thee to deliver them and raise them up in due time, giving them patience under all their sufferings, the rich comfort of thy grace here below, and eternal rest with thee in heaven.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and who hast knit all thy saints in one communion unto life eternal; make us thankful for all thy grace and mercy bestowed on those whom thou hast taken to thyself. Keep alive in our hearts the remembrance of their goodness; and give us grace to cherish the hope that when the day breaks and the shadows flee away, we shall meet them again in thy presence with exceeding joy.

Grant an answer to these our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn, after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desiroble, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

O Lord, grant in thy great mercy that the word we are about to hear may be so blessed unto us by thy grace, and brought home with power to our hearts, that it may be profitable for conviction of sin, for correction of life, for comfort in sorrow, and for edification in righteousness, to the honour and glory of thy name, and to our everlasting benefit, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

We thank thee, O Lord, for thy good word which we have heard this day.

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

Now we commit to thy merciful and almighty keeping our souls and bodies, all our thoughts and words, all our endeavours and interests this day and evermore; beseeching thee not to leave us or forsake us until thou hast brought us in peace and safety to that last evening of our earthly life when we shall lie down to take our sleep, and awake to be for ever with the Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Tenth Service.

Fifth Sunday of the Month at Evening Prayer, or Thursday of Second Week.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

HONOUR and majesty are before the Lord; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary. Give unto the Lord glory and strength. Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; bring an offering and come into his courts. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

O God, of boundless might and incomprehensible glory, infinite compassion and measureless

love to man, look down upon us and upon this house of prayer, and show unto us and them that pray with us the riches of thy mercy and compassion, and so make us worthy with a pure heart and a contrite spirit, with hallowed lips and with a countenance that needeth not to be ashamed, to call upon thee, our Father in heaven, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

O God, searcher of hearts, we strive now to remember our sins in thy presence, that we may confess them before thee. . . . We cannot tell how often we have offended. In many things we have done amiss. Other lords besides thee have had dominion over us. Too often have we sought rest in the things of the world; too often have we hewn out to ourselves broken cisterns that can hold no water; too often have we sought our own pleasure and interest rather than thy glory and the good of others; too often have we called evil good and good evil, and closed our eyes against the light. All our sins in our remembrance we confess. Those sins which we have forgotten thou knowest; those hidden from the world are open to thee. Have mercy upon us, O Father, for them all. Give us grace truly to

repent of them, heartily to forsake them, earnestly to fight against them, and finally to overcome them, and to enter into the peace of the life eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable the thanksgiving may be said before the Prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

We magnify and praise thy glorious name, O Lord God Almighty, for thou hast formed us in thine own image. Thou hast given us souls to know and love thee; thou hast made us a little lower than the angels; thou hast opened thine hand and supplied our wants. We call all thy mercies to our remembrance. We have sinned against thee but thou hast spared us; we have wandered from thee but thou hast sought us; we were lost but thou hast saved us. O God, our Saviour, thou hast broken our chains that we might be free; thou hast healed our diseased souls that we might not perish; thou hast enriched us who were poor with the treasures of thy salvation; thou hast given us who had nothing, to inherit all things. Therefore do we, with one heart and one voice, laud and magnify thy glorious name; and with thy saints on earth and in heaven, we ascribe thanksgiving, and honour and glory, and power, unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

Prayers and Supplications.

Blessed Lord, who didst give thy Son to be our Saviour, fulfil in us day by day while we live the work of thy redeeming mercy. Give us to know Christ and the perfection of his life, that we like him may be in the world holy, harmless, undefiled, and separate from sinners. Give us to know Christ and the fellowship of his suffering, that we may not be wearied and faint in our minds, but may be ever resigned to thy most blessed will. Give us to know Christ and the virtue of his death, that the world may be crucified unto us, and we unto the world, that we may die unto sin and live unto righteousness. Give us to know Christ and the power of his resurrection, that as he was raised from the dead in the glory of the Father, we may rise unto newness of life. Give us to know Christ and the hope of his coming, that we may be ready to meet him and to give in our account with joy. O may we live by faith in him; may we increase in union with him; may we day by day become more and more like him, till we see him as he is, and are changed into his perfect image.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

O thou merciful and loving High Priest, who

hast passed within the veil, help us with thy mighty intercession, that our unworthiness being clothed upon with thy perfect righteousness, we may stand accepted in the day of thy coming, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture, the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

O most loving Father, who hast given us grace to pray for ourselves, hear us now while in humility and duty we pray thee for others.

We pray for men everywhere, that they may be brought to the knowledge and obedience of the truth.

We pray for our native land, and for thy servant, our Sovereign, King George, that his throne may be established in righteousness, and in the hearts and affections of a free, loyal, and religious people ; and that finally he may receive of thee the crown of life which fadeth not away.

We pray for our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family, that thy blessing may rest upon them, and thy grace be given to them.

We pray [for the High Court of Parliament now assembled and] for all rulers, judges, and magistrates [especially for the magistrates of this city and those who sit in council with them], that thou wouldest bestow the spirit of wisdom upon all to whom thou hast given the authority of government, and that we, under them, may lead quiet and peaceable lives, in all godliness and honesty.

We pray for all universities and schools of learning [especially for the university of this city] that thou wouldest replenish them with that wisdom which cometh from above.

We pray for the whole company of the faithful throughout the world, that grace, mercy, and peace may be multiplied to all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.

We pray for those who minister in holy things, [and especially for those who serve thee in this parish . . .] that they may feed rightly the flock of Christ; and do thou so perfect thy gifts in them that they may now faithfully discharge their ministry, and at the last may enter into thine eternal joy.

We pray for all who are engaged in works of mercy and compassion, for all who preach the gospel among the heathen, for all who teach the

ignorant, who minister to the sick, who visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction, or who plead the cause of the oppressed ; that thou wouldst grant unto them the aid of thy fatherly counsel, and the support of thy divine strength [especially we ask thy blessing upon . . . every good work for thee carried on in this parish].

We pray for all who wander in doubt and uncertainty amid the darkness of this present evil world, and for all who are hardened through the deceitfulness of sin, that thou wouldst grant them grace to come unto themselves, the will and the power to return unto thee, and the loving welcome of thy forgiveness.

We pray for all travellers ; for the stranger in a strange land ; and for all who are far from home; that they may be kept by thee in peace and safety, and may never want the comforting sense of thy presence.

We pray for our benefactors that they may be rewarded, and for our enemies, that they and we may be tender hearted, forgiving one another, as thou, for Christ's sake, hast forgiven us.

We pray for all dear to us Fill us with such love, gentleness, and patience, that we may walk

in our homes with a perfect heart, and have joy in each other that passeth not away.

We pray for all in sickness and distress [and for any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee . . .], that thou wouldst give strength to the weary, aid to the sufferers, comfort to the sad, and help to all in tribulation.

We pray for the dying, that they may depart in the peace of Christ, and be for ever with the Lord.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

And, rejoicing in the communion of saints, we bless thee for all thy servants who have departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially those dear to our own souls. Make us followers of them as they were followers of Christ, that even now we may be one with them in the communion of the same spirit, and hereafter may be gathered together into the bosom of thine infinite and eternal love.

Hear, O Lord, these our thanksgivings for them, our intercessions for others, and our prayers for ourselves: and to thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service, the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

O God, who art long-suffering and kind, and who art ever seeking to turn us from our vanities that we may live and not die, grant that, through the enlightenment of thy grace, we now may know the day of our visitation, and give ear to the voice that calleth us, and so bring us home, blessed Lord, from wandering in the wilderness, and give our weary hearts such rest in thee, that we may seek to wander from thee no more, but may abide in thy peace for ever.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

Suffer not, O Lord, the good seed which the Son of Man hath sown to be caught by the wicked one out of our hearts, to be scorched by tribulation or persecution, or to be choked by

the cares and pleasures of this life; but grant that, falling into good and honest hearts, it may bring forth in us the fruits of righteousness and holiness, to the glory and praise of thy name.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

Abide with us now, O Lord, for it is toward evening and the day is far spent. O thou who neither slumberest nor sleepest, evermore be with thy children. As thou coverest the earth with darkness, cover us with thine infinite mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Eleventh Service.

For any Lord's Day, or Friday of Second Week, suitable also for Christmas.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

OFFER unto God thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High. The Lord is nigh unto all that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth. Draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

Almighty God, we bow before thee, the High

and the Holy One, whose dwelling is in light inaccessible; we come into thy sacred presence with praise and supplication. We draw near to thy throne of grace through Jesus Christ thy well-beloved Son, who took our nature upon him. Bless us as we present unto thee our united service. Purify our minds from all sinful thoughts and vain imaginations, and grant that our worship at this time may be offered in faith, humility, and love, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

He that covereth his sins shall not prosper, but he that confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy. We confess them, O God, especially those by which our hearts are saddened in thy presence. . . . the vanity of our thoughts, the waywardness of our wills, the deceitfulness of our hearts, the barrenness of our lives, our want of love to thee, our want of charity to our neighbour, the weakness of our faith, the deadness of our hope, the coldness of our worship, the poverty of our service for Christ our Saviour. We confess all our sins before thee. Wherein we have forgotten thee; wherein we have lived without thee; wherein we have yielded to temptation; wherein we sought our own and not thine; wherein we have dishonoured the holy name of

Christ which we bear, pardon and forgive us. Turn us away from evil. Fill our hearts with thy peace. Guide our steps by thy grace, and finally bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable the thanksgiving may be said before the Prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

We praise and bless thy holy name, Father of mercies and God of all grace, that thou hast had compassion upon us miserable sinners: That in the fulness of time thou didst send thy Son to seek and save us: That he took on him the form of a servant, and the likeness of sinful flesh, and fulfilled thy law, and was obedient to thy will even unto death: That he made propitiation for our sins; and when he had overcome the sharpness of death he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers: That he sitteth at thy right hand in glory everlasting: That he will come again in glory and majesty to judge the quick and the dead, and will reign till all enemies are put under his feet: That he is our advocate with thee; the captain of our salvation; the author and finisher of the faith: That he is not untouched with the feeling of our infirmities, having been in all points tempted as we are: That he ever liveth to make intercession, and saveth to the uttermost those that come unto thee by him: That thou hast

sent unto us the gospel of thy grace, and hast admitted us into the fellowship of thy church to call upon thy name and to learn the way of everlasting life. For these mercies we thank thee. For special mercies now in our remembrance we bless thy name. . . . And for all thy gifts, temporal and spiritual, we adore and worship thee. Glory be to God in the highest, on earth peace and goodwill toward men.

Prayers and Supplications.

Father of mercies, and God of all comfort, who didst, in the fulness of time, send thy Son to be the consolation of Israel, and hast promised us another comforter to abide with us for ever; send forth, we pray thee, thy Holy Spirit into our hearts to enlighten, sanctify, and guide us; to strengthen us in every good word and work; to uphold us in all temptations and trials; to comfort us in all our sorrows and afflictions; and to fill us with joy and peace in believing that we may abide in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

Those things we ask, O heavenly Father, in patient confidence and joyful hope, being assured that we ask them according to thy will;

that the voice of thy church is heard by thee; that the intercessions of the Holy Ghost are known to thee; and that the mediation of thy well-beloved Son doth prevail with thee. Wherefore we glorify thy name, we fall down before thy throne, we worship and adore thy glorious majesty; evermore praising thee, and saying, Salvation be unto our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever; blessing and glory, and wisdom and thanksgiving, and honour and power and might be unto our God, for ever and ever.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

O thou who acceptest the intercessions which thy servants offer in thy Son's name, we beseech thee for all mankind. Let thy pity and pardon extend unto all.

O thou who art the God of our fathers, be mindful of their children, and continue to bless our native land; and as thou hast given us a high place among the nations of the world, and permitted us to increase in power and riches, may we be mindful of the trust laid upon us, and ever be faithful to thy cause.

O thou king of kings, and ruler of princes, be merciful to thy servant, King George, to our gracious Queen Mary, to Alexandra, the Queen Mother, to Edward, Prince of Wales, [the

Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family. Multiply upon our Sovereign and upon his family thine excellent gifts. Prosper his righteous undertakings; direct his endeavours to the welfare of his people; and as thou hast placed him over us in thy mercy, preserve him evermore by thy mighty power.

O thou who distributest among men different degrees of power and ability to serve thee, we beseech thee for all rulers, judges, and magistrates [especially for the High Court of Parliament now assembled], [and for the magistrates and council of this city], that thou wouldst bestow on them all those capacities and dispositions which are suitable to their high office [and do thou grant thy blessing unto our university and to those that bear rule therein].

O thou who art the wholesome defence of thine anointed, we earnestly beseech thee for the whole christian church. Fill it with all truth, and in all truth with all peace: Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is in want, supply it; where it is divided and rent asunder, unite and heal it.

O thou Lord of the harvest, have respect, we beseech thee, to our prayers, and send forth

labourers into thine harvest. Look with compassion on the heathen that have not known thee, and on the multitudes that are as sheep having no shepherd; and fill all who serve thee in the ministry of thy blessed gospel, or who seek the welfare of men, with great zeal for thy glory, for the honour of Christ our Lord, and for the salvation of thy people.

O thou who hast given us the faith of Christ for a light unto our feet amid the darkness of this world, have pity upon all who, doubting or denying it, have gone astray from the path of safety. Bring home the truth to their hearts, and give them grace to receive it as little children.

O thou who hast taught us to love them that love us, pour out thy blessings great and manifold upon all our benefactors, friends, and kindred. Help us to love each other in thee and for thee; to be one in heart amid all separations, and finally unite us for ever at thy feet, where peace and love are perfect and immortal.

O thou who requirest us to overcome evil with good, we commend to thy mercy all who have wronged us, whether by word or deed, beseeching thee to forgive them all their sins, and

to bring them together with us to thy heavenly kingdom.

O thou whom no distance of time or place can part from those for whom thou carest, be present with all who travel by land or by sea, and through all the way in which they are to go, be pleased to be their guide and companion.

O thou comforter of the comfortless, help of the helpless, strength of the weary; comfort, heal, and sustain all in loneliness, sickness, or distress of any kind, and may the dying be gently led till they shall have passed through the dark valley which leads to the eternal home [and if there are any of thy sorrowing children known to ourselves we name them in our hearts before thee].

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

O thou before whose face the generations rise and pass away, we thank thee for all those whom death hath taken from us and hidden from our eyes, and who, resting from their labours, have gone home to thy nearer presence. Unite us still, God of our souls, in one household of faith and love, one family in heaven and upon earth, and sustain us by the joyful hope of meeting

again those who are gone from us, and being joined with them in still closer bonds of love and service. Which things we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

O God, through whose tender mercy the day-spring from on high hath visited us to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace, cast the bright beams of his light upon us, that we may be the children of light and of the day, and that we may so walk in the light of thy truth, that we may at length attain to the light of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon: after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer

O God, who hast made us glad in the service of thy house, may the blessing we have received not pass away from us.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

We commend ourselves to thee. We go forth to the world to love thee with thankful hearts, filled with love and charity to all men; and whether thou leadest us in green pastures and by still waters, or through darkness, or even through the valley of the shadow of death, our hearts shall rest in thee and in thy peace for evermore.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord ; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. **Amen.** **Amen.**

Twelfth Service.

For any Lord's Day or Saturday of Second Week, suitable also for the New Year.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

OUR help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. O come let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

O thou in whose sight a thousand years are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch

in the night, and who hast called us out of the silence that we may work for thee; we come to thee for the aid without which we are sure to fail. Amid all the changes of life, we would lay hold of thee in unfailing trust, and in communion with thee would find hope and comfort. Be pleased now to bless the worship of this hour, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

O God, give us thy grace that we may remember and confess the sins of the past. . . . Thou settest our transgressions before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance: All our idle, trifling, and uncharitable words; all our wasted and misused hours; all our selfishness, vanity, and ungodliness; all our omitted duties and committed sins; that which we have done ignorantly or carelessly, and that which we wickedly heeded not or have forgotten; thou, O Lord, knowest all, rememberest all, and must bring all to judgment. Have mercy, O Lord, upon us, according to thy loving-kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions; forgive us that which is past; hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Absolve us from our transgressions,

and grant us thy peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE.—*When thought desirable, the thanksgiving may be said before the prayer for Illumination.*

A General Thanksgiving.

O God, our heavenly Father, thou hast been the refuge of thy people in all generations: Thy years fail not. We bless thee that in thy mercy we have been brought unto this present hour. We adore thee as the source of all our comforts, and the giver of every good and perfect gift. Thy compassions are new every morning, and thy faithfulness endureth for ever. Week by week, year after year thou hast spared and blessed us; our afflictions have been fewer than we have deserved, and thy bounties are more than we can number or understand; our health and strength, our food and raiment, our comforts and pleasures, our preservation from harm, our ability to do aught that is good; the encouragements of thy word, the means of grace, and the hope of glory through the Son of thy love, have all flowed from thy great goodness. For all thy mercies which we remember as we look back upon the past, we praise thy name, and thank thee with gratitude and devotion. . . .

Prayers and Supplications.

O God, whose days are without end, and whose

mercies cannot be numbered, make us, we beseech thee, deeply sensible of the shortness and uncertainty of human life, and let thy Holy Spirit lead us while here on earth in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives; that when we shall have served thee in our generation, we may be gathered unto our fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience, in the communion of thy Son's church; in the confidence of a certain faith; in the comfort of a sure, reasonable, and holy hope; in favour with thee our God, and in perfect charity with all men.

Here may be said such prayers as may be thought desirable.

Be present, O Lord, to our prayers, and protect us by day and by night, that in all successive changes of time we may be strengthened by the remembrance of thy unchangeableness, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver

us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is chanted one of the Psalms in the prose version, after which is read a part of the Old Testament. Then is sung a Hymn, after which is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture the reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayers—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

Almighty God, who hast commanded us to make prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks for all men, hear these our intercessions which we now present unto thee:

Remember, O Lord, every work of thy hand for good, and visit the whole world in thy mercy.

Remember, O Lord our native land. Bless its people. Lead us in the way of honour and justice, and of true and enduring prosperity. May we be mindful of the trust which thou hast laid upon us, and ever be found faithful to thy cause.

Remember, O Lord, our Sovereign, King George, our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family. Let thy servant, our Sovereign, rule in thy fear, and live for the welfare of his people. Preserve his throne in peace. Prolong his days on earth ; and finally bring him to the glory of thy kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Remember, O Lord, all in authority, that they may exercise their power as ministers of thy justice and mercy. Especially guide and direct [the High Court of Parliament now assembled] [the magistrates of this city and those who sit in council with them]. May a wise and faithful spirit prevail in our councils ; and may we be delivered from all evil ambitions, selfish motives, and false judgments, that we may hold a worthy place in the community of nations, and live as fellow-citizens of thy kingdom.

Remember, O Lord, the church of thy Son Jesus Christ, which is from one end of the earth to the other. Plenteously furnish her with the gifts of thy spirit. Heal her divisions. Grant unto her peace. Unite all thy people in the bonds of faith, and hope, and charity, and let thy kingdom come everywhere.

Remember, O Lord, those who serve thee in the ministry of thy Son's church [especially those who serve thee in this parish]. Make their ministry blameless. Adorn them with all christian virtues. Make them guides to the blind, light to them that sit in darkness, followers of the good shepherd who gave his life for his sheep; so that at the last they may receive the reward which thou hast prepared for those who have contended earnestly for thy gospel.

Remember, O Lord, all those who are labouring in the cause of thy righteousness and truth, those who preach thy gospel among the heathen, those who bring forth fruits and do good works in thy holy church, and who remember the poor. Recompense them with thy rich and heavenly gifts. Render to them, instead of earthly things, the heavenly; instead of temporal, the eternal; instead of corruptible, the incorruptible.

Remember, O Lord, those who serve thee in

the upbringing of the young;—all universities and schools [especially the university of this city]. May they train up a seed to serve thee better in their day than we have been able to do in ours, and be unto thee a name and praise in all generations.

Remember, O Lord, the whole body of the people,—those present here, and those absent from our midst; and have compassion upon them and on us according to the multitude of thy mercies. Fill their stores with every good thing; keep their families in peace and concord: Bring up the little ones; teach the young; strengthen the old; comfort the disheartened; gather those who are scattered; bring back and join to thy church those who have gone astray; guide the travellers by land or sea; solace the lonely; care for the widows; protect the orphans; deliver the captive; heal the sick; prepare the dying.

Remember, O Lord, those who are in tribulation, necessity, or danger, especially any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee . . .; and all who are in need of thy great compassion: Those who love us or hate us; those who have given us charge, unworthy as we are, to pray for them; and those whom, through ignorance or forgetfulness, we have omitted to mention.

[Remember us, O Lord, in the season of the year; grant us temperate and favourable weather. Crown the year with thy goodness.] Receive us all into thy kingdom, showing us to be children of the day and sons of light; and grant us, O Lord our God, thy peace and love.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

And remembering before thee thy whole people on earth, we thank and praise thee for those whom thou hast taken to thyself out of the temptations and sorrows of this present life. Grant that we may not mourn for them as those who have no hope; and may we so follow thy saints who have gone before us, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which thou hast prepared for all that love thee from the foundation of the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which, on the Lord's Day, follow the Prayer of Illumination and Sermon.—At Week Day Service the Lord's Prayer may come after the Prayer of Intercession, should such be deemed desirable, and the service be thereafter closed by the singing of a Hymn and the Benediction, or with such prayers as to the Minister may appear suitable.

A Prayer for Illumination.

O God, who leadest us through seasons of life to be partakers of thine eternity, may thy word be a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path at all times. Grant that understanding its precepts and following its blessed guidance, we may be led through all the perplexities and changes of time unto thine everlasting and unchanging kingdom of light and glory.

Amen.

Then follows the Sermon; after which a Hymn is sung, the Collection is taken, and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer

O God, who hast committed to us the swift and solemn trust of life, we thank thee for the opportunities of good this day vouchsafed to us.

Here may be offered such petitions as may be thought desirable.

Let thy blessing be upon us, O Lord, and mercifully defend us from all evil of body and soul. Make thy face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto to us and give us thy present and everlasting peace, that we may so pass all the days of our sojourning here on earth, that after this life

we may be with thee for ever and ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then the Anthem is sung. There is then pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord ; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us]. and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Thirteenth Service.

Friday before Easter: the Suffering and Death of Our Lord.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

BEHOLD the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities. All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God, Mighty God,

Eternal God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Thou hast loved us with an everlasting love; thou didst give thine only begotten Son to suffer and die for us; but we have not loved thee as thou hast loved us. We have lived without thee in the world. Our own hearts condemn us, and thou art greater than our hearts, and knowest all things.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God, Mighty God, Eternal God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Thy dear Son came to seek and to save that which was lost. He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. But we have not been drawn unto him; we have denied him before men; we have not felt the grace of his redeeming mercy.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God, Mighty God, Eternal God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

He was betrayed, he was mocked, he was spat upon, he was crucified; but we have not

known the power of his cross; his wounds have not been our healing; his passion has not been our deliverance. We have crucified him afresh, and put him to an open shame.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God, Mighty God, Eternal God, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us, save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

This is the day when thou wast delivered unto death as a sacrifice for sin. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace, even that peace of pardon and acceptance which thou didst suffer to purchase for thy people.

O thou who didst pray for thy murderers, as they nailed thee to the cross, do thou intercede for us also, who have crucified thee afresh.

O thou who, when on the cross, didst promise to the penitent thief that he should be with thee in Paradise, grant us, in all our sufferings, the spirit of godly fear, that we may at the end of them be with him and with thee.

O thou who, when on the cross, didst commend thy mother to the beloved disciple, teach us never, amidst pain and suffering, to forget the duties of tenderness and loving kindness.

O thou who, in the darkness and the agony of death, didst cry unto thy Father, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" grant us, in the hiding of God's face, to turn unto him, and plead with him in prayer.

O thou who, when thy sufferings were ending, didst cry, "It is finished!" give us grace evermore to rest in thy finished work, and to regard ourselves as complete in thee.

O thou who wast crucified; behold, we wait before thy cross, Draw us unto thee, for in thee is our hope, O Christ. We bless thee for all the burdens thou hast borne; for all the tears thou hast shed; for all the pains thou hast suffered; for every word of comfort thou hast spoken on the cross; for every conflict with the powers of darkness; and for thine eternal victory over the terrors of death, and the pains of hell. And to Thee, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, we ascribe glory for ever and ever.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in Heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is read a part of the Old Testament; after which a Psalm or Hymn is sung. Then is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning of each portion of Scripture the Reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed and the following prayers—

A General Intercession.

Let us Pray.

Almighty God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified, receive our supplications and prayers for thy servant our Sovereign, the King, his family and all in authority under him: and for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee, through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

O Almighty God, who didst call thy Church to be one body, filled with thy divine presence and life, and instructed in thine eternal truth, have mercy upon all who profess and call themselves Christians: Lead them, we beseech thee, out of all their wanderings and divisions, and heal all mutual hatred, variance, and animosities; that they may all once more be one in Jesus

Christ, as he is one with thee: Deliver all those who are deceived by the wiles of the enemy, and have forsaken the congregation of thy Church, or have been carried away by the vanity of error, and restore them to thy mercy and to the unity of the truth in the one fold of Jesus Christ.

O merciful Father, the comfort of those who are in sorrow, the strength of those who are oppressed: let the cries of the afflicted enter into thine ear, we beseech thee, and do thou save them out of all their distresses: Heal those who are sick, relieve all who are in need; and in thy pity grant thy consolations to all who are oppressed with grief.

O God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, have mercy, we beseech thee, upon thine ancient people, the house of Israel: Deliver them from their hardness of heart and unbelief of thy Gospel, that their hearts being turned unto thee they may behold thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ, and may acknowledge him to be their Saviour, whom as on this day their fathers gave up to be crucified, so that they may be brought into thy holy Church, and saved among the remnant of the true Israel.

O God and Father of all the families of the

earth, who wouldest not that any should perish but that all should come to the knowledge of the truth, we beseech thee to have mercy upon those who are walking in darkness and bowing down to idols; Deliver them we pray thee, and bring them to know thee, the true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent, and unite them to thy true fold.

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed.

O Lord God, the light of the faithful and the repose of the blessed dead, keep us in eternal communion with those dear to us who wait for thee on earth and who are around thee in heaven, for whom we render thanks unto thee, remembering that we are one in the same holy fellowship.

Receive, we beseech thee, O merciful God, all these our petitions: We again present them unto thee in the name of Jesus Christ, crucified for us, and for the merits of his sacrifice, as on this day perfected. Accept and answer us for his sake, who liveth and reigneth with thee, O Father, and with the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Amen.

Then is sung a Hymn; after which follows an Address or Sermon: and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

Now unto him that hath loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, be glory for ever and ever. Unto his eternal mercy we commend ourselves, by day and by night, in joy and in sorrow, in life and in death. O thou, once crucified, but now risen and exalted Saviour, whether we wake or sleep, may we live together with thee.

Amen.

Then is pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you [us] all.

Or,

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you [us], and remain with you [us] always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Fourteenth Service.

A Shortened Service.

The Congregation being assembled, the Service shall begin with the singing of a Psalm, after which the Minister shall make this

Call to Prayer.

GOD is a Spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. Let us pray.

Then shall be said the following prayers and supplications—

Invocation of the Divine Presence.

O Lord our God, who art always more ready to bestow thy good gifts upon us than we are to seek them, help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so

to knock that the door of thy mercy may be opened unto us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A General Confession and Prayer for Pardon and Peace.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our iniquities, for we have sinned against thee. We make our confession; we implore thy forgiveness. Pardon our offences—especially those now in our remembrance—for the sake of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, that thy peace which passeth all understanding may keep our hearts and minds now and for evermore.

A General Thanksgiving.

O most loving Father, who willest that we should give thanks for all things, we bless and praise thy name for all thou art to us, and all thou doest for us, and all thou bestowest on us from day to day: for those mercies now in our remembrance, and for all other mercies remembered or forgotten: especially for thine eternal love in Jesus Christ our Saviour, for the gift of thy Holy Spirit the Comforter, for the means of grace and for the hope of glory; we thank thee

and will give thee thanks, we bless thee and will for ever bless thee.

Prayers and Supplications.

We beseech thee, O God, to make our lives more worthy of thy goodness, to redeem us from all sin and selfishness, to enable us to do our work humbly as in thy sight, to serve thee in our day and generation, to live in charity and peace with all men, to bear one another's burdens, to be just and honourable in our dealings, to resist and overcome our temptations, and so to follow through life the leading of thy blessed Spirit that we may now be good soldiers of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, and at the last may enter into thy heavenly kingdom. And to thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we would ascribe all glory for ever and ever.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver

us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then is read a part of the Old Testament; after which is sung one of the Psalms, or a Hymn. Then is reaa a part of the New Testament. At the beginning oj each portion of Scripture the Reader shall say—

Let us read the word of God as it is written in the book of . . chapter . . . at the . . . verse.

And at the close of each he shall say—

May God bless unto us the reading of his word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

Then shall be said the following Prayer—

A General Intercession.

LET US PRAY.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, hear us when we pray thee for thy children everywhere: For kings and all in authority, that they may be just, ruling in the fear of the Lord: For thy servant, our Sovereign, King George, that

thy blessing may rest upon him: For our gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra, the Queen Mother, Edward, Prince of Wales, [the Princess of Wales], and all the members of the Royal family, that by holy and Christian lives they may adorn their high station: For our country, that thou wouldst grant us peaceful times, prosperous industries, and defend us from our enemies: For our soldiers and sailors, that thou wouldst be their defence at all times, making them able to subdue the lusts that war against the soul: For thy holy Church throughout the world, that she may be more and more filled with thy Holy Spirit and serve thee in peace and unity: For all who serve thee in thy holy ministry, or who do good works in thy Church, that He who came to seek and save the lost may evermore be with them: For all who have erred and strayed from the faith, that they may have the grace of true repentance and may receive thy forgiveness: [For this city, that true religion may flourish therein:] For the poor and needy, the desolate and afflicted, and especially those known to ourselves, that they may find thee a very present help: For the dying, that they may be received into thy glory.

And we thank thee for all who are at rest with thee, that we and all thy saints may come into

full communion with thee and with one another in thy glorious and eternal kingdom.

O thou who hast died for us, that whether we wake or sleep we should live together with thee, be our strength every morning, our rest when the shadows of evening are stretched out, and our trust and confidence at all times, O Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then is sung a Hymn; after which follows the Sermon. Then any intimations are made; and if there be a Collection, it is taken. Then is sung a Hymn: after which there is pronounced

The Benediction.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Private Prayers

WHICH MAY BE USED

(1.) Before Public Worship.

O God, my Father, give unto me the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that I may worship thee this day in spirit and in truth. Keep far from me every vain and evil thought, and grant that through the blessing of thy worship I may be enabled to serve thee truly in my daily life, through Jesus Christ my Lord, Amen.

(2.) After Public Worship.

O God, my Father, I thank thee for the privilege of worshipping thee. Bless to me and to others every good word I have heard. Pardon what has been amiss in my service, and keep me in thy peace and love unto everlasting life, through Jesus Christ my Lord, Amen.

(3.) Before Holy Communion.

I thank thee Lord for bringing me to this Holy Sacrament. By thy grace prepare me for joining in the Holy Communion. May I understand its meaning, receive its blessing, and partake of the same to my great and endless comfort, through Jesus Christ my Lord, Amen.

(4.) After Holy Communion.

O merciful Father, who hast permitted me to remember my Lord and Saviour in Holy Sacrament, and hast fed me with the spiritual food of his most precious body and blood, continue to me thy loving kindness, that I may remain to my life's end the faithful soldier and servant of him who died for me, through the same Jesus Christ my Lord, Amen.

Special Prayers

WHICH MAY BE USED IN

THE FOREGOING SERVICES.

(1.) *At Daily Service.*

MONDAY.

We thank thee, O our heavenly Father, for the rest and worship of thy holy day; and as we have gone forth once more to our work in the world, do thou, the God of labour and of rest, be with us throughout the week, and grant that even when our hands are occupied with daily toil our spirits may be at rest and peace with thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

TUESDAY.

O God our Father who hast led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of thy house, grant that this our daily worship may be acceptable

unto thee and comforting to our souls, and may enable us better to serve thee in our daily life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

WEDNESDAY.

O God, whose only Son when on earth was often alone, holding communion with thee, his Father, apart from the world; bless unto us these peaceful hours in this thine house of prayer, and grant that through communion with thee here we may be kept nearer to thee amid the temptations of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THURSDAY.

O God, who hast taught thy children in thy word to pray without ceasing, grant that our prayers here day by day may come up with acceptance before thee. Strengthen us for the work to which thou hast called us among men, and keep us mindful of the coming night when the noise of the world shall be heard by us no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FRIDAY.

O thou Father of our spirits, in the midst of our daily business we lift up our hearts to thee. Grant that this season of holy quiet may be pro-

fitable to us in heavenly things, and refresh and strengthen us to finish the work thou hast given us to do.

Amen.

SATURDAY.

O God, who hast brought us to the last day of another week, our days and weeks glide swiftly away, reminding us of the night which is at hand when we shall cease from our earthly labours and lie down in the dust, in silence and darkness. Fit us for thy day, for thy house, and for thy glory; and grant that when the day of God shall dawn we may arise with joy and put on immortality, redeemed from all power of corruption, and made like unto the Son of God.

Amen.

(2.) *For the General Assembly during its Meeting.*

Almighty and everlasting God, who by thy Holy Spirit didst preside in the first synod of the apostles and elders at Jerusalem, and hast promised to be with thy church alway unto the end of the world; vouchsafe, we pray thee, unto thy servants met in General Assembly, thy gracious presence and benediction: Deliver them from all error, pride, and prejudice; enlighten them with wisdom from above; fill their hearts with the spirit of unity and peace; and so order

all their doings that thy kingdom may be advanced, thy people established and comforted in their most holy faith, and the pure gospel truly preached and truly followed; until at length all thy dispersed sheep shall be gathered into one fold of the great shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be glory for ever.

Amen.

(3.) *At the close of the year.*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we give thee hearty thanks that in thy great goodness thou hast preserved us during another year, and hast bestowed innumerable blessings upon us. Grant, we beseech thee, that with the year just passed away we may put off our old sins, our evil desires and lusts, and with the new year begin to live more earnestly a Christian life. Let thy blessing be upon us, O Lord, and mercifully defend us in the coming year from all evil of body and soul. Make thy face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us; and give us thy present and everlasting peace, that we may so pass all the days of our sojourning here on earth, that after this life we may live with thee and all thy holy angels for ever and ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(4.) *At the beginning of the year.*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we give thee humble and hearty thanks, that during the past year thou hast preserved us from all evil, and hast bestowed upon us all manner of good, and dost now permit us to enter upon a new year. We pray that it may please thee mercifully to crown the same with thy goodness, to bless us and our households with thy heavenly gifts, and to grant and preserve unto us whatsoever is necessary for our bodily wants, to avert from us all calamities and evils, and to make this to be unto us a blessed, peaceful, and happy year, for the sake of Jesus Christ, thy dear Son, our only Saviour.

Amen.

Another.

Almighty and eternal God, with whom one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day, we bring thee thanks and praise for thy blessings more than we can number with which thou hast crowned our lives during the year now past; and since thy mercies are ever new, let the year which has now begun be to us a year of grace and of salvation. Deliver us from the vanity of our fallen nature, and establish us in the fellowship of that life which is the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever. Graciously

protect and conduct us through the uncertainties of this new year of our earthly pilgrimage. Prepare us for its duties, its trials, its joys, and its sorrows. Help us to watch and pray, and be always like men that wait for their Lord; and grant that every change, whether it be of prosperity or adversity, of life or of death, may bring us nearer to thee, and to that great eternal year of joy and rest which, after the years of this vain earthly life, awaits the faithful in the blessed presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(5.) *Thanksgiving for Harvest.*

Almighty and everlasting God, we yield thee hearty thanks for all thy goodness, and especially for thy bounty bestowed on us, who, through thy providence and tender mercy, have reaped the fruits of the earth in due season. Give us power to use the same to thy glory, to the relief of those that are needy, and to our own comfort. Continue, we beseech thee, thy loving kindness unto us, that year by year our land may yield its increase, filling our hearts with joy and gladness; and so dispose us by thy special grace, that we, thy servants, may never sow only to the flesh, lest of the flesh we reap corruption; but may sow spiritually to life everlasting, and

reap the same in thy heavenly kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(6.) *In time of Dearth.*

O God, our heavenly Father, whose gift it is that the rain doth fall, the earth is fruitful, and living things do multiply; behold, we beseech thee, the afflictions of thy people, and grant that scarcity and dearth may through thy goodness be mercifully turned into cheapness and plenty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(7.) *In time of War.*

O Lord God, of infinite mercy, we beseech thee to look in compassion upon our country now involved in war. Pardon our offences, our pride and arrogance, our self-sufficiency and forgetfulness of thee. Give wisdom to our councillors, skill to our officers, courage and endurance to our soldiers and sailors. Look in mercy on those immediately exposed to peril, to conflict, sickness, and death. Be with the dying; give to them true repentance and unfeigned trust in thee; and in the day of judgment good Lord deliver them. Finally, we beseech thee, to remove in thy good providence all causes and occasions of war; to

dispose our hearts, and the hearts of our enemies to moderation; and of thy great goodness, to restore peace among the nations, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(8.) *On the Restoration of Peace.*

O thou who stillest the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people, we bring thee our fervent thanksgiving for having restored to us the blessing of peace; and we pray thee that no root of bitterness, remembrance of wrong, hatred, jealousies, or purpose of revenge may remain. And grant that the time may speedily come when the nations of the world shall no longer strive and destroy, and shall not learn war any more; and when the peaceful kingdom of thy righteousness shall be established from sea to sea, even to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(9.) *In time of Controversy.*

O thou, who art the one God and Father of all, save us from all the evils of strife and contention, and enable us, amid all disputations, controversies, and difference of opinion, to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Deliver us from all

blindness and prejudice, and whatever else would turn our hearts from one another, and by the charity of our temper and thoughts, may we show forth the power of the gospel of love, and strive after the charity which never faileth; following after peace with all men, as disciples of the Prince of Peace, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(10.) *Before Communion.*

Almighty God, Father of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, who hast brought us again near to the season of holy communion, prepare us by thy grace for partaking of the feast to our spiritual comfort and nourishment. Give us grace to repent of past sins, and to seek forgiveness. Fill our hearts with sincere love and devotion to Jesus Christ, and with an earnest desire, worthily to remember and follow him. Be especially gracious to those coming to thy Son's table for the first time, and give them a spirit of dedication to their Saviour; and grant that this holy season may be one of refreshment and blessing to us all, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(11.) *After Communion.*

O merciful Father, we thank thee for thy goodness to thy people in this place in permitting

them to remember their Lord and Saviour in holy sacrament, and in feeding them with the spiritual food of his most precious body and blood. Continue to us thy loving-kindness, and grant that as we have received the Lord Jesus we may walk in him, dying daily unto sin and living unto righteousness, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(12.) *Commemoration of the Birth of Christ.*

We bless and praise thee, O God, for the great gift of thy goodness in him whose birth we commemorate this day. We would pay our glad homage at the lowly cradle in which Jesus was laid when he was born into the world; and would echo in our hearts the heavenly song: Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace and good-will toward men. As now our homes are gladdened by the joyful meeting of kindred and friends, may our hearts be filled with the true spirit of kindness and charity: May they forgive whose brethren have offended them, and may they repent who have offended their brethren; and may the day-star from on high arise on all, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Amen.

Another.

Most merciful God, who hast so loved the world as to give thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life; vouchsafe unto us, we humbly pray thee, the precious gift of faith, whereby we may know that the Son of God is come, and being always rooted and grounded in the mystery of the word made flesh, may have power to overcome the world, and gain the blessed immortality of heaven; through the same incarnate Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

(13.) *The Sufferings and Death of our Lord.*

O most merciful Father, who, of thy tender compassion towards us guilty sinners, didst give thine only begotten Son to be an offering for our sins; grant us grace, we humbly beseech thee, that being engrafted into him by his Spirit, and made partakers of his sufferings and his death, we may crucify the corrupt inclinations of the flesh, die daily unto sin, and lead holy and unblameable lives. Cleaving unto his cross in all the temptations of life, may we hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering, and finally attain unto the resurrection of the dead through

the merits of the same once crucified but now risen and exalted Saviour.

Amen.

(14.) *The Resurrection of our Lord.*

O thou God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we render thee most humble and hearty thanks, that when he had descended into the grave thou didst not suffer thy holy one to see corruption, but didst show unto him the path of life, and didst raise him from the dead, and set him at thy right hand in heavenly places. Grant unto us grace, we beseech thee, to apprehend with true faith the glorious mystery of our Saviour's resurrection, and fill our hearts with joy and a lively hope, that amid all the sorrows, trials, and temptations of our mortal state, and in the hour of death, we may derive strength and comfort from this sure pledge of our inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, that fadeth not away.

Amen.

(15.) *The Ascension of our Lord.*

O God, the King of glory, who through the resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, hast opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers, leave us not orphans, we beseech thee, in our weary mortal state, but send unto us

the Holy Ghost the Comforter, who may guide us always in the way of truth and peace, and bring us in the end to those mansions of rest in which Christ now dwells and reigns; to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, world without end.

Amen.

(16.) *The Gift of the Holy Ghost.*

God of all peace and consolation, who didst gloriously fulfil the great promise of the gospel by sending down the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost to establish the church as the home of his continual presence and power among men; mercifully grant unto us, we beseech thee, this gift of the same Spirit to renew, illuminate, refresh, and sanctify our dying souls, to be over us, and around us, like the light and dew of heaven, and to be in us evermore as a well of water springing up into everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, be honour and glory, world without end.

Amen.

(17.) *The Second Coming of our Lord.*

God of all grace and comfort, who hast not appointed us unto wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, aid us, we beseech thee,

to repent heartily and truly of our sins, and so to humble ourselves that when he cometh we may be prepared to receive him, with childlike faith, and join in the glad cry, Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Amen.

Another.

Incline, O Lord, we beseech thee, thine ear to our prayers, and visit the darkness of our mind with the dayspring from on high, that at the second coming of thy Son to judge the world, we may hasten with joy to meet him who liveth and reigneth, with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

(18.) *The Hope of Heaven*

O God, whose favour is life, and in whose presence there is fulness of peace and joy, vouchsafe unto us, we beseech thee, such an abiding sense of the reality and glory of those things which thou hast prepared for them that love thee, as may serve to raise us above the vanity of this present world, both in its pleasures and in its necessary trials and pains, so that under thy guidance and help all things here shall work

together for our everlasting salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(19.) *For Heavenly Wisdom.*

O Lord God, our Sun, by whom light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart, illuminate our minds, we beseech thee, by thy heavenly grace, and fill them with the pure wisdom which cometh down from above, that we may walk before thee in simplicity and godly sincerity all our days, not taking counsel with the world or the flesh, but aiming and endeavouring in all things only to know and to do thy will, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(20.) *For Humility.*

Almighty and everlasting God, who didst send thy Son into the world, not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and give his life a ransom for many ; dispose and assist us by thy grace to follow the example of his great humility and heavenly-minded love, that with all lowliness and meekness, and patient continuance in good works, we may adorn the gospel of God our Saviour, and possess in our souls that true peace which the world can neither give nor take away, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(21.) *Holy Examples.*

O God, the Father everlasting, whom the glorious hosts of heaven obey, and in whose presence patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, with all the spirits of the just made perfect, continually do live, fix the eye of our faith, we beseech thee, with clear and full vision on the great cloud of witnesses with which we are thus compassed about in the heavenly world, that laying aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us, we may run with patience the race that is set before us, and obtain at last the crown of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(22.) *For Power of Service*

Almighty and everlasting God, through whose mercy we are saved by the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Gost, let this grace reign in us, we beseeh thee, as the power of a new heavenly life, whereby denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we may live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, looking for the glorious appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and possess unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good

works; to whom, with thee, and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory evermore.

Amen.

(23.) *For Diligence.*

O God, who by the example of thy dear Son, hast warned us that we should work thy works while it is day, before the night cometh, when no man can work, keep us from all sloth and idleness, and from the misuse of those talents which thou hast committed to our trust. Enable us to perform the several duties of our calling with such care and diligence that our work may never be reproved in thy sight; and forasmuch as the needful business of this life is apt to steal away our hearts from thee, give us grace to remember that we have a master in heaven, and to do everything in singleness of heart as unto thee and not unto men, that of thee we may receive the reward of the inheritance which thou hast promised in thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

(24.) *For Faith.*

O God, thou King eternal, immortal, invisible, the blessed and only potentate, may we, who cannot see thee with the eye of flesh, behold thee steadfastly with the eye of faith, that we faint

not under the manifold temptations and afflictions of this mortal life, but may endure, as seeing thee who art invisible, that after we have done and suffered thy will upon the earth, we may behold thy vision in heaven, and be partakers of those joys unspeakable which thou hast promised to them that love thee.

Amen.

(25.) *For Hope.*

O ever loving God, who knowest that we live in a world of mystery and perplexity, suffer us not to be cast down or dismayed, but keep alive in us by thy grace the hope which maketh not ashamed, and which entereth as an anchor sure and steadfast within the veil; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(26.) *For Charity.*

O God of love and concord, evermore preserve us, thy servants, in that charity which never faileth, which is the bond of perfectness, and without which, whosoever liveth is counted as dead before thee; and bring us at last, in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace, to thy blessed home in heaven, where love abideth for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

An Order

FOR THE

ADMINISTRATION

OF

INFANT BAPTISM.

The child having been brought to the font, and the father or sponsor standing in front thereof, a hymn may be sung, after which the Minister may read the following parts of Scripture, or as much thereof as he may deem desirable:

And Jesus took a child, and set him in the midst of them; and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto them, Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me.

And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much

displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

Whosoever, therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

He then shall say,

In accordance with the practice of the Church of Christ, we are about to dedicate this child to God in baptism. This water is the emblem of the purity of heart which God, by his Holy Spirit, bestows upon the souls of his children; that purity which was in Jesus Christ, his well-beloved Son, through whom we also are called to purity and holiness of living.

He shall then, addressing the Parent or Sponser, say,

Do you, professing the Christian faith, desire

that this child should be baptised into the same? and do you promise, God helping you, to bring *him* up therein?

Answer—I do.

The Minister may then continue as follows :

The faith into which this child is to be baptised is the faith wherein we stand and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God, therefore let us openly confess with the mouth, saying,

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified dead and buried, He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting.

Amen.

Let us Pray.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has promised to be with his Church alway, even to the end of the world, be present with us in the administration of this holy Sacrament of Baptism: sanctify what of the element of water is to be used to this purpose, and grant that this child, being baptised outwardly with water, may be baptised inwardly with the Holy Spirit; that, buried with Christ in baptism, *he* may rise with Christ into newness of life, and be numbered with thy saints in the glory eternal. To thee, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Then the Minister is to demand the name of the child, which being told, he is to say (calling the child by name)

I baptise thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

As he pronounceth these words, he is to baptise the child with water; he then may give this or other blessing after which a hymn or anthem may be sung.

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, send down upon thee His blessing, that thou mayest keep the faith, overcome the world, and finally inherit everlasting life. Amen.

ANTHEM.

The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

Should the Minister think proper, he may make the following or other suitable

EXHORTATION.

I earnestly exhort you to whom, as *his* earthly parents, the care of this child is committed by *his* Heavenly Father, to be faithful to the trust confided to your charge. The will of the Lord is that this child should be trained for his service, and he has appointed you, as standing in his place, to the discharge of this sacred duty. Be careful then so to conduct *his* education as may best promote the great end for which *he* was created; for what will *he* be profited if *he* gain the whole world and lose *his* own soul; see that *he* be instructed in the principles of true religion, and taught to acknowledge and worship God. Let *him* be well acquainted with the worship of God and with the Christian faith into which *he* has been baptised. Teach *him* the necessity of continually shunning all evil as sin against God, of loving the Lord

above all things and his neighbour as *himself*. Bring *him* up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, so will you have the strongest ground of hope that, when *he* comes to the age of reason, *he* will build upon the foundation which has thus been laid, and that your care will be rewarded by *his* well-being in this life, and *his* eternal happiness in the life to come.

Let us Pray.

Follow, O Lord, with thy blessing from heaven what has now been done in thy name upon earth, and grant that this child, now acknowledged as a member of thy Son's visible church, may have *his* name written in the Lamb's Book of everlasting life. Spare *him* long unto *his* parents, and spare *his* parents long unto *him*, and grant that, as *he* grows in days and years, *he* may grow in wisdom and in grace, and in favour with God and with man.

Give grace unto thy servants, the parents of this child, to bring *him* up in thy faith, fear, and love, and to set before *him* the example of a godly and holy life.

[We render thanks unto thee for thy goodness to the mother of this child; may the life which thou hast spared and the life which thou hast

given be precious in thy sight, and devoted to thy glory.]

Grant unto us, O Lord, who have been baptised in thy name to remember that we have been dedicated to thy service, and to fight manfully under the banner of the Captain of our Salvation against the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Here may be said such other prayers as the Minister may deem desirable; and then is said

A Commendatory Prayer.

Take us now and evermore into thy holy care and keeping. Go with us where we go, and dwell with us where we dwell, and grant that at the last we may be found among those who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb, and having become as little children, have entered into thy heavenly kingdom.

Amen.

The Benediction.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

An Order

FOR THE

CELEBRATION OF THE COMMUNION

OR

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER.

The Table being decently covered, and so conveniently placed that the Communicants may orderly sit about it, or at it, and the elements of bread and wine being set before the Minister, in comely and convenient vessels, so prepared that the bread being broken by him and given, it may be distributed amongst the Communicants; the wine also in large cups; he may say as follows:—

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

Amen.

The Institution.

Beloved in the Lord, hearken to the words of the institution of the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, as they are delivered by His apostle Paul (1 Cor. xi. 23–26): "I have

received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which He was betrayed took bread: and when He had given thanks, He brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is My Body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of Me. After the same manner also He took the cup, when He had supped, saying, This cup is the New Testament in My Blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till He come."

Therefore, that we may fulfil the Saviour's institution with righteousness and joy, let us, in celebrating this sacred service, follow His holy example in word and action.

As the Lord Jesus, the night in which he was betrayed, took bread, I take these elements to be set apart to the holy use and mystery for which He has appointed them, and as He gave thanks and blessed, let us draw near to the throne of grace, and present to God our prayers and thanksgivings; but first with one heart and voice let us make profession of our Christian faith, and say—

Nicene Creed.

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible :

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten not made, Being of one substance with the Father : By whom all things were made, Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead : Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church ; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins ; And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer.

LET US PRAY.

Lift up your hearts :

We lift them up unto the Lord.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God; through Jesus Christ Thy Son, who being very and eternal God, came down from heaven in perfect love, and became Man for us men and for our salvation.

Not as we ought, but as we are able, we bless Thee for His holy incarnation ; for His life on earth; for His precious sufferings and death upon the cross ; for His resurrection from the dead ; for His glorious ascension to Thy right hand; and for the promise of His coming again.

Thee, mighty God, heavenly King, we magnify and praise. With angels and archangels, and all the hosts of heaven, we worship and adore Thy glorious name, joining in the everlasting hymn of the cherubim and seraphim, singing unto Thee :

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts ; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Invocation.

And we most humbly beseech Thee, O merciful Father, to look upon us, as we do now make that memorial of His most blessed sacrifice which Thy Son hath commanded us to make; and send down Thy Holy Spirit to bless and consecrate these Thine own gifts of bread and wine which we set before Thee, that the bread which we break may be to us the communion of the Body of Christ, and the cup of blessing which we bless the communion of the Blood of Christ; that we, receiving them, may by faith be made partakers of His Body and Blood, with all His benefits, to our spiritual nourishment and growth in grace, and to the glory of Thy most holy name.

Amen.

If not previously said

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The elements being now sanctified by the Word and Prayer, the Minister is to take bread in his hand, and say—

According to the holy institution, command, and example of our blessed Saviour, Jesus Christ, I take this bread, and having given thanks, break it,—*here he shall break the bread*—and give it unto you—take ye; eat ye; this is the body of Christ which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of him.

Here he shall himself partake, and shall distribute the bread. In like manner he is to take the cup and say:—

According to the institution, command, and example of the Lord Jesus, I take this cup and give it unto you—*here he shall himself partake, and shall give the cup to the communicants*—this cup is the New Testament in the blood of Christ which is shed for the remission of the sins of many; drink ye all of it.

After all have communicated, the Minister may, in a few words, put them in mind of the grace of God in Jesus Christ, as held forth in this Sacrament, and exhort them to walk worthy of it. After which the following or other similar Prayers may be said.

Let us Pray.

O God our Father, we give thee hearty thanks for the most blessed communion of which thou hast this day made us partakers. We again dedicate ourselves to thy service in body, soul, and spirit. Make thy grace always sufficient for us. Perfect thy strength in our weakness. Succour us amid the manifold temptations and sorrows of our lives. Give us power to endure unto the end as good soldiers of Jesus Christ, and let the light of thy countenance be upon us now and evermore.

Prayer for the Church Militant.

Regard in thy great mercy, O Lord, all those with whom we are this day one in the body of Christ, the multitudes of every name who are joined with us in one household of faith and love, our brethren and sisters in Christ throughout the world.

Here Special Intercessions may be offered.

Thanksgiving for the Church Triumphant.

And rejoicing this day in the communion of Saints, we bless thy Holy Name for all thy servants who have departed in the faith, and who having accomplished their warfare are at rest with thee; the great cloud of witnesses by which we are compassed about; all thy saints in every age who have loved thee in life and continued faithful unto death; those dear to our own souls—our fathers, brothers, and sisters who have fallen asleep in the Lord; believing that we are still one with them in the same holy fellowship, and beseeching thee to enable us so to follow their faith and good example, that we with them may finally be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom, when made like unto Christ we shall behold him with unveiled face, rejoicing in his glory, and by him, with all thy Church, holy and unspotted, shall be presented with exceeding joy before the presence of thy glory. Hear us, O heavenly Father, for his sake, to whom, with thee, and the Holy Ghost, be glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then may be sung a Psalm of Thanksgiving.

Benediction.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, rest upon you and abide with you henceforth and for evermore.

Amen.

An Order

FOR THE

SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE.

At the day and time appointed for solemnization of Marriage, the persons to be Married shall come into the Church, or shall be ready in some other place, with their friends, and shall stand together, the man on the right hand and the woman on the left. Should the Marriage be in the Church, as the Bride enters a Hymn may be sung. The Minister then makes this

INVOCATION

God be merciful unto us and bless us, and cause his face to shine upon us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then addressing the persons to be married, he shall say

You present yourselves in the presence of God and of these witnesses to be joined in the

holy bonds of marriage. You are to take each other as husband and wife, for prosperity or adversity, sickness or health, poverty or riches, and to perform all the duties belonging to this relation to the end of life. Listen to some of those duties, as laid down in the Holy Scriptures.

Then is read a part of the New Testament. At the beginning the reader shall say

Let us read the Word of God as it is written in the Epistle of St Paul to the Ephesians, the 5th chapter at the 22nd verse,

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the Church: and he is the Saviour of the body. Therefore as the Church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. Husbands love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word; That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it

should be holy, and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies; he that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the Church; For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. Nevertheless, let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

There also may be read the 19th chapter of Saint Matthew's Gospel at the 3rd verse,

The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause? And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning, made them male and female; And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother,

and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefor they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

The reading of the Scripture shall be closed with these words

May God bless the reading of his Holy Word, and to his name be the glory and the praise.

The Minister then addressing the persons to be married, shall say

In this holy estate you are now come to be joined, I therefore charge you before the Great God, who searcheth all hearts, and to whom you must give a strict account at the last day, that if either of you know any just cause wherefore you may not lawfully proceed to marriage, you now declare it.

If no answer be given the Minister shall say

LET US PRAY.

O merciful Father, whose Son Jesus Christ did bless with his presence the marriage of Cana in Galilee, and did there manifest his

glory, be present with us at the marriage of thy servants now before thee, and grant that with an earnest trust in thee, they may enter into this holy covenant, and truly keep the vows they are about to make according to thy word. Grant this, O our Father, with the forgiveness of our sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Then shall the Minister say

As a seal to the holy vow which you are about to make, give each other the right hand, and say after me

He then shall cause first the man to take the woman by the right hand, saying these words

I, ..., do take thee, ..., to be my married wife, and do, in the presence of God, and before these witnesses, promise and covenant to be a loving and faithful husband unto thee, until God shall separate us by death.

Then the woman shall take the man by the right hand and say these words

I, ..., do take thee, ..., to be my married husband, and I do, in presence of God,

and before these witnesses, promise and covenant to be a loving, faithful, and obedient wife unto thee until God shall separate us by death.

NOTE.—*Where the minister may deem it desirable, he may impose and receive these obligations in the form of question and answer.*

When a ring is used, the Minister shall then say to the man

What pledge do you give that you will perform these your vows—have you a ring?

The man hands the ring to the minister, who returns it to him, saying

In token of fidelity to these vows, this ring is given and received.

The man places the ring on the fourth finger of the woman's left hand.

Then the Minister shall say

Now, in the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, I pronounce you husband and wife: ye are no more two but one flesh.

What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

After this he shall bless them, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost rest upon you, and keep you henceforth and for ever.

Peace be with you both.

Amen.

Then may be sung this

ANTHEM

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Here the minister may address such words of exhortation to the newly-married persons as he shall consider convenient, and a Hymn may be sung; after which he shall offer the following or other suitable prayers.

LET US PRAY.

Blessed Lord, who art the author and giver of all good things, in whom is fullness of joy, send down thy blessing, we beseech thee, upon thy servants, whom thou hast now, through the ministry of thy Son's church, made man and wife. May their days on earth be long and happy. Grant unto them health, wealth, and

prosperity. May their love never know change, or doubt, or decay. Crown their life with thy goodness. Bless them in each other, and both in the knowledge of Christ, thy Son. O, most loving Father, in darkness and in light, in sorrow and in joy, in life and in death, may they feel thy hand laid upon them, and abide in the peace of thy children, now and ever more, through Christ our Lord and Saviour.

Amen.

A Commendatory Prayer.

Depart not from us, O Lord, when we part from one another. Preserve us amid the manifold temptations of this present life. Enrich our souls with thy heavenly grace, that we may obey and serve thee all our days, walking in the steps of our Lord Jesus Christ, and adorning his doctrine, that finally, when the joys and sorrows and good and evil of this transitory world are ended, we may inherit thy promises, and be made partakers of eternal joy in thy glorious kingdom, where they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven. Grant this, O merciful Father, for the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Then may be said or sung

PSALM LXVII.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us. That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. O let the nations be glad, and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth

shall fear him. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

This Psalm may be sung as an Anthem, in which case words slightly different are used.

The Benediction.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord ; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

An Order

FOR THE

BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

The service may begin with the singing of a Hymn.

The Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences:—

I AM the resurrection, and the life: saith the Lord; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

Now the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for the Lord Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light, through his Gospel.

Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him. For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.

Then may be read or sung one or the other of the following Psalms :—

PSALM XXXIX.

I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue : I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.

I was dumb with silence ; I held my peace, even from good ; and my sorrow was stirred.

My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned : then spake I with my tongue,

Lord, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is, that I may know how frail I am.

Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth ; and mine age is as nothing before thee : verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity.

Surely every man walketh in a vain shew : surely they are disquieted in vain : he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what wait I for ? my hope is in thee.

Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish.

I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst it.

Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of thine hand.

When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man is vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears: for I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more.

Psalm xc.

Lord, thou hast been our dwelling-place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth

and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.

Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told.

The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Return, O Lord, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants.

O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil.

Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.

And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

Then shall follow this lesson:—

I CORINTHIANS XV. 20.

Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be

made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. . . . But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die: And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body. . . . So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption; It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. . . . As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and

blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

Instead of the above, the Minister may read one of the following passages of Scripture:—

JOHN XI. 1-46; JOHN XIV. 1; THES. IV. 13 TO V. 71.

At the burial of a child, the following Scripture may be read:—

And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

For I say unto you, that in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

If we believe that Jesus died and rose

again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Then may follow a Hymn, and thereafter this, or such prayers as the Minister may deem desirable.

LET US PRAY.

Almighty and most merciful God, who pitiest them that fear thee as a father pitieth his own children, who knowest our frame and rememberest that we are dust, look upon us in thy great compassion, whom thou hast brought into the presence of sorrow, and under the dark shadow of death. In the silence of this hour speak to us of eternal things; and when our spirits sink before the mystery of life and of death, comfort us with the assurance that neither life nor death can ever separate us from thy love, as it is in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

God of the spirits of all flesh, most humbly and heartily we thank thee to-day for the great hope of eternal life which thou hast given us in the Gospel of thy dear Son, Jesus Christ, and confirmed unto us by His glorious resurrection from the grave; for His promises to them that fall asleep in Him, and who are for ever with Him; for the revelation of that world where there is no

more pain, and where parting is unknown; and for the assurance that, in our Father's house, are many mansions, and that those who sleep in Jesus the Lord will bring with Him. Cheered by these hopes, we would commit our beloved dead into thy holy and most merciful keeping, believing that, though we see them no more, they are safe with thee; that they rest from their labours and their works do follow them.

O Father, who comfortest those who are sad, draw near to all who are mourning for the dead, and especially [*here mention may be made of any who have been bereaved*]. Be very pitiful unto them; fill their bleeding hearts with thy love; give them a good hope through thy grace. In their darkness may thy light shine, in their loneliness may thy presence be felt, and in their sorrow may they be filled with thy peace, which passeth all understanding: we commend them unto thee.

We thank thee, dear Lord, for all those whom death hath taken from us and hidden from our eyes, and who, resting from their labours, have gone home to thy nearer presence, especially for those dear to our own souls. [*Here special thanks may be given for any particular person.*] Grant that we may be followers of them, as they were followers of Christ, and cheer us who are alive and remain with the hope of meeting them

again in thine own time, and being joined with them in still closer bonds of love and service.

O God, whose days are without end, and whose mercies cannot be numbered, make us who are here before thee deeply sensible of the shortness and uncertainty of human life. Teach us to number our days, and to apply our hearts unto wisdom, and to be as servants waiting for the coming of their Master. Let thy good spirit lead us, while here on earth, in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives, that when we shall have served thee in our generation we may be gathered unto our fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience, in the communion of thy Son's Church, in the confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a sure, reasonable, and holy hope, in favour with thee our God, and in perfect charity with all men.

Should there be no service at the grave, these words may be said here—

[The dust returns to dust, and the spirit unto God who gave it; therefore do we now go forth to commit the body of our departed *brother* to the grave, looking for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord.]

O, most loving Father, in darkness and in light,

in sorrow and in joy, in life and in death, may we feel thy hand laid upon us, and abide in the peace of thy children now and ever more, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Amen.

Here may be sung a Hymn or Anthem.

THE BENEDICTION.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

Amen.

At the grave the Minister may say—

The dust returns to dust and the spirit unto God who gave it; therefore do we now commit the body of our departed *brother* to the grave, [earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust,] looking for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

LET US PRAY.

God of all grace and love, we leave our departed *brother* in thy good and holy keeping. Grant that we may now return to our work in the world, looking forward to the great gathering of

thy faithful servants and children into their everlasting home. Keep us in everlasting fellowship with all that wait for thee on earth, and with all that are around thee in heaven. Comforted by thy love, and supported by thy strength, may we fulfil the time that remains to us at peace with thee, doing thy will with diligence, and bearing our trials with patience. So may we go on through thy mercy into the joy of everlasting life, living in thy favour, and at last dying with thy blessing upon us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Here may be said

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE BENEDICTION.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

Amen.

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